

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION



The Greenstone Fire Department's fire prevention and enforcement strategies aim to increase public safety and awareness. Greenstone Fire is guided by the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 (FPPA) and regulations under the FPPA, like the Ontario Fire Code. Inspections are initiated routinely for certain occupancy types, or by request or complaint. This information is to help guide the residents of Greenstone to be fire safety-minded.

"Don't be safety-blinded, be safety-minded"

The Fire Code is a regulation made under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 consisting of a set of minimum requirements respecting fire safety within and around existing buildings and facilities. The owner is responsible for complying with the Fire Code, except where otherwise specified.

The fire code is a set of requirements for all buildings in an area, both commercial, and industrial. These regulations are there to insure the safety of all occupants of the building at all time.

For further information please contact:

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HOMEOWNERS

It's the law...

- Install a smoke alarm on every floor, and outside every sleeping area
- Install carbon monoxide alarms outside every sleeping area, and in sleeping rooms that share an interior wall with a mechanical room. Only required if you have a fuel burning appliance (i.e. woodstove, natural gas or propane appliances) or an attached garage
- Replace smoke and carbon monoxide alarms every 10 years
- Ensure dryer lint traps are cleaned on a regular basis

Best practices include...

- Test all smoke and carbon monoxide alarms monthly
- Change batteries at least once per year
- Implement and practice a Home Fire Escape Plan



BUSINESS OWNERS

It's the law...

- Inspect fire extinguishers monthly
- Fire extinguishers shall be inspected annually by a certified inspector
- Emergency lights shall be inspected monthly
- Fire alarm systems shall be inspected annually
- Kitchen suppression systems shall be inspected every six months
- Sprinkler systems shall be inspected annually
- Means of egress shall be free of obstructions
- Fire Safety Plans (if required) are to be reviewed and approved by the Chief Fire Official annually. Fire safety plans are required for:
 - *An assembly occupancy*
 - *A care occupancy*
 - *A care and treatment occupancy*
 - *A residential occupancy where the occupant load exceeds 10*
 - *A retirement home*
 - *A business and personal services occupancy where the occupancy load exceeds 300*
 - *A mercantile occupancy where the occupancy load exceeds 300*
 - *A high hazard industrial occupancy where the occupant load exceeds 25*
 - *A medium hazard industrial occupancy where the occupant load exceeds 100*
 - *A low hazard industrial occupant where the occupant load exceeds 300*