

TO: **ALL MANUFACTURE HOME OWNERS AND DEALERS**

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SUBJ: **NOTICE FOR NEW INSPECTION – TESTING SMOKE ALARMS  
IN MANUFACTURED HOMES**

New requirement that was enacted into law as of **SEPTEMBER 16, 2002** by the Department of Housing and Community Development which will require smoke alarms testing for all manufactured homes.

**AS OF JULY 1, 2004** a smoke alarm test will be a part of the final inspection requirement before the home can be occupied and a Certificate of Occupancy will be issued.

Smoke alarms will be required in **ALL** manufactured homes. Older manufactured homes will require battery operated smoke detectors located inside each sleeping room on the wall or ceiling.

A final Certificate of Occupancy **WILL NOT** be issued until the smoke alarm test is completed.

The Pulaski County Building Department will now require inspection for all smoke alarms in manufactured homes as required by the Uniform Statewide Building Code and 2002 CRF Title 24, Volume 5 3280.305-Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards.

The following are smoke alarm requirement guidelines effective September 16, 2002:

1. Alarms on wall or ceiling
2. Alarm inside each sleeping room
3. Alarm in common living/kitchen area
4. Alarms on each additional level
5. All alarms are interconnected
6. All alarms have battery backup.

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