## Interior Fire Guidance for Short-Term Vacation Rentals

### Smoke Alarms:
**Note:** City of Santa Rosa Fire Department recommends replacing batteries bi-annually, or at a minimum annually and recommends replacing a smoke alarm after 10 years of service with a 10-year battery life smoke detector.

Smoke alarms are installed in each sleeping room, outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedroom(s), and on each occupiable story including basements and habitable attics.

For smoke alarms that are hardwired, a battery is installed for battery back-up functionality.

**Note:** Battery operated smoke alarms may be installed per the manufacturer’s instructions and this guidance. A permit is not required for battery operated devices.

### Carbon Monoxide Alarms and Detectors:
If the dwelling unit contains a fossil fuel burning heater, appliance, fireplace or attached garage, carbon monoxide (CO) devices are required to be installed in accordance with local building standards and the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

**Note:** It is recommended to replace a carbon monoxide alarm after 10 years of service with a 10-year battery life carbon monoxide alarm.

Operational CO alarms are installed outside of each separate dwelling unit sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedroom(s), in a bedroom where a gas burning appliance is located and on each occupiable level inside the unit including basements.

**Note:** Battery operated carbon monoxide alarms and detectors may be installed per the manufacturer’s instructions and this guidance. A permit is not required for battery operated devices.

### Fire Extinguishers:
A 2A-10B:C rated fire extinguisher is provided with a maximum travel distance of 75 feet.

Each fire extinguisher shall be tagged and serviced by a state licensed contractor within the last year. If a new extinguisher has been purchased, the receipt needs be affixed to it and then replaced by a licensed contractor’s tag after the first year.

If only one fire extinguisher is required, it shall be clearly visible, readily accessible and located near the kitchen.

An additional extinguisher shall be mounted on each level.