



FOUNTAIN VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT

INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

Subject: **CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS**

Senate Bill (SB) 183 enacts the Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Act of 2010. The legislative amendments, repeals, and additions of this bill require owners of dwelling intended for human occupancy to install carbon monoxide (CO) devices in existing dwellings units having a fossil fuel burning heater or appliance, fireplace, or attached garage in compliance with the following dates:

- On or before July 1, 2011, for all single-family dwellings, and state licensed care facilities for the elderly (R-3, R-3.1, R-4); and
- On or before January 1, 2013, for all other dwelling units, hotels, motels, boarding houses, apartments, group homes, halfway houses, etc. (R-1, R-2, R-2.1)

The requirement applies if ANY of the following are present within the home:

- Attached garage
- Fossil fuel-burning heater or appliance (typically a natural gas or propane furnace and/or a natural gas range/oven),
- Gas or wood-burning fireplace.
- All new construction

Installation:

Installation of CO detectors must comply with the 2010 California Building Code, Section 420.4, and the 2010 California Residential Code, Section R315 as well as manufacturer instructions.