

### Important Notice

#### Amanda's Law

Carbon monoxide alarm requirements to go into effect  
February 22, 2010

As the result of legislation, [Amanda's Law](#) will go into effect on February 22, 2010. It requires essentially all residences, both new and existing, to have carbon monoxide alarms installed. The specific requirements differ for new and existing residences and also on when the buildings were built and subcategories of occupancy groups.

Probably the most asked question will be the requirement for existing one and two family residences. They will be required to have one carbon monoxide alarm installed on the lowest story having a sleeping area.

The proposal to modify the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, in order to comply with Amanda's Law, is in the process of being adopted as an [emergency rule](#). The following link provides the [proposed code text](#) and legislation, [Amanda's Law](#).

<http://www.dos.state.ny.us/code/COAlarm.htm>