



# Fire Code Change Request

Suggestions for changes to the Fire Code can be made by any individual or group at any time. Requests for Fire Code changes will be processed for possible inclusion in the next edition of the (Ontario) Fire Code and may be shared for consideration in the development of the national model Fire Code of Canada. In some cases, interim amendments may be implemented as determined appropriate. To submit a request to the Office of the Fire Marshal and Emergency Management, please complete and submit the form below.

## 1. Background Information:

Myself:

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Business/ Organization:

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Name of Business / Organization / Association: Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs	Approximate # of members: 700	Your Name: Mark Tishman	Fire Code Change Request Program and Policy Analyst	Are you authorized to speak on behalf of the group? Yes
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Fire Code Reference:

Division or Supplement:  
DIVISION C

Date:  
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Describe the type of change required to the Fire Code: add new code requirement

Describe the problem with the existing Fire Code provision:

Disparity of qualifications. Qualifications are required for sprinkler and fire protection installers by the Ontario College of Trades. The Ontario Fire Code (OFC) currently makes no mention of necessary credentials. The OFC does require qualifications for persons performing work on fire alarm systems, smoke alarms, those who prepare fire safety plans, and Chief Fire Officials; this is a disparity.

Describe the proposed change or provide recommended wording:

That wording be added to Section 1.2 that requires sprinkler and fire protection installers to have the necessary qualifications; with wording that mirrors subsection 1.2.1 "Qualifications and Responsibilities of Persons Performing Work on Fire Alarm Systems".

Identify/describe other Fire Code provisions that may be affected by the proposed change:

Sections 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, and 6.8

If the proposed change is a new requirement, please identify the objective(s) and functional statement(s) that the proposal addresses (see Division A of the Fire Code):

Objective: (OP & OP 1.1, 1.1.4) Fire Protection of the Building or Facility. Functional Statements: (F81) To minimize risk of malfunction, interference, damage, tampering, lack of use, or misuse. (F82) To minimize the risk of inadequate performance due to improper maintenance or lack of maintenance.

Please indicate if any additional supporting materials will be forwarded separately:

Yes. Please see the formal Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs accompanying letter emailed to Ontario's Fire Marshal on July 27, 2021.

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