

## **Ministry of the Environment Decree on amendments to the Ministry of the Environment Decree on fire safety**

Adopted in Helsinki on x y 2008

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In accordance with the Ministry of the Environment Decision taken under Section 13 of the Land Use and Building Act (132/1999), the heading for 11.3 and paragraph 11.3.1 of the Ministry of the Environment Decree on fire safety of buildings, adopted on the 12 March 2002, shall be amended, as follows:

### 11.3 Smoke detectors and automatic fire alarms connected to the mains power supply

#### 11.3.1

Smoke detectors connected to the mains power supply should be installed in the following premises provided that these are connected to the mains power supply:

- residential premises, in each dwelling,
- accommodation premises accommodating a maximum of 50 persons,
- care institutions with a maximum of 25 beds,
- day care centres and
- business buildings of Class P2 with 3-4 storeys.

#### Guideline

The equipment is designed to operate so as to sound the alarm to those in danger and, if necessary, to the personnel so quickly that there is sufficient time for rescue or escape from the hazardous part of the building. At least one smoke alarm, each ensuing 60 h-m<sup>2</sup>, should be installed and each storey must have at least one smoke alarm.

Input of current for smoke detectors is ensured with a battery or accumulator.

#### Explanation

More detailed information on the technical characteristics of smoke detectors connected to the mains power supply is given by a Council of State Decree.

This Decree shall enter into force on x y 2008.

In Helsinki, on x y 2008

Minister of Housing

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