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Building Code Amendment: Fire Sprinklers in Large Residential Buildings

On June 18, 2008 O. Reg. 205/08 was filed. This regulation further amends the Building Code to require fire sprinklers in multiple-unit residential buildings over three storeys in height.

The new sprinkler requirements are intended to improve fire safety, and further harmonize Ontario's Building Code with the requirements set out in the model National Building Code of Canada (mNBC).

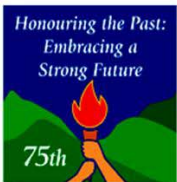
The new requirements apply to building permit applications filed on or after April 1, 2010.

ServiceOntario Publications, the official publisher of the 2006 Building Code, is preparing update pages for the Compendium Edition of the 2006 Building Code. These update pages are available for download from the ServiceOntario Publications website at: <https://www.publications.serviceontario.ca/ecomlinks/510062Amendment.pdf>. Update pages are also expected to be mailed to amendment service subscribers and available for purchase from the website by early July 2008.

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