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# Community Development Policy and Procedure Statement

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**SUBJECT:** 2018 IRC Smoke Detectors

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this policy is to clarify what is needed in order to protect Life and Safety in regards to the placement of and requirement of interconnected smoke detectors as called out in the 2018 IRC per Section R314.4 Interconnection.

**Policy:** This policy is to give direction when and how smoke detectors are required to be interconnected. Where more than 50% of the home needs new smoke detectors then all the smoke detectors will be interconnected to meet code section R314.4. Where less than 50% of the home needs new smoke detectors all of the **NEW** smoke detectors shall be interconnected so if one of the new smokes goes off all of the new smokes goes off. The existing smoke detectors do not have to be interconnected to the new smoke detectors.

The Building Official or their designee will have final determination.