

AUGUSTA CHARTER TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

and
State of Michigan
Bureau of Construction Codes and Fire Safety

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW LAWS ADDRESS NEW SMOKE ALARMS EFFECTIVE MARCH 14, 2006

Beginning March 14, 2006 – per Public Act 64 of 2004 – building and homeowners have **one year** to install smoke alarms in their building(s), structure(s) and/or residential dwelling(s) constructed before November 6, 1974.

PA 64 of 2004 required updates to the 2003 Michigan Building Code, 2003 Michigan Residential Code and 2003 Michigan Rehabilitation Code for Existing Buildings to address the installation procedure for the required smoke alarms.

The new smoke alarm rules, which are a result of the laws, become effective March 14, 2006, and are designed to set a minimum standard for structures built prior to November 6, 1974, to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the state.

Construction of all buildings built after November 6, 1974, must follow the codes set forth for *new construction*.