

FIRE SAFETY

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Fires result in over one hundred deaths in Ontario each year. Fire prevention should be the number one safety concern for all landlords since the majority of these deaths occur in residential fires. Ultimate attention and the highest commitment to fire safety must be maintained at all times in order to provide a safer living environment for tenants, protect the landlords' investment and shield them from criminal charges or incarceration due to negligence or death.

EXTREME Property Management assists landlords in addressing fire hazard issues and maintaining fire safety in their buildings. We work closely with staff, superintendents, qualified fire technicians and consultants to ensure buildings meet municipal safety standards and comply with the fire code set by the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office.

Many municipalities in the Niagara Region follow the Ontario Fire Marshal's recommendations to enforce a zero tolerance policy towards violations.

In many cases landlords are immediately charged for fire code deficiencies without warning or time to rectify problems.

Many of these violations are discovered

FIRE SAFETY TIP

It is mandatory that Ontario landlords have smoke alarms and fire extinguishers checked annually.

If you do not have smoke alarms or carbon monoxide detectors in your rental building, ask Extreme Property Management about this client service.

in random inspections by the local fire department without notice to the landlord.

FINES AND PENALTIES

An individual convicted of three fire code offences faces a penalty of up to \$ 20,000.00 and or one year imprisonment. In the case of contravention of the fire code there is a penalty of up to \$ 50,000.00 or imprisonment of up to one year for an individual. Penalties for corporations are set at a higher rate.

Any person who removes an order is subject to a fine of \$ 2,000.00 and or imprisonment of 1 year.

Failure to comply with an order is subject to a fine of up to \$20,000.00 per day.

If you are in doubt that your building is safe and meets all fire and safety codes required by law contact EXTREME Property Management today for further information. We will supply the name and telephone number of and a qualified independent fire consultant who will answer all your questions.

Let us help you protect your investment and make your building a safer place for your tenants to live ■