

VANCOUVER FIRE RESCUE SERVICES

DOYOUR KNOWYOUR FIRE SAFETY PLAN?

Frequently asked questions about the Fire Safety Plan

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

"We save lives and build safer communities through fire prevention inspection, education and partnerships"



WHAT'S A FIRE SAFETY PLAN?

What's in the white box?

A fire safety plan details the information and procedures necessary to ensure your building and its occupants are prepared in the event of an emergency situation.

It is the responsibility of building owners and property managers to ensure a fire safety plan is in place for their building and it's your responsibility to know what's in it.

Visit our website at: VANCOUVER.CA/FIRESAFETYPLANS for more information about Fire Safety Plans



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: What is in a fire safety plan?

A: The fire safety plan (FSP) is one of the most important documents to prepare and maintain for the safety of occupants and for the lifetime of the building.

A fire safety plan is a detailed document that covers all aspects of fire safety for a specific building or property. The plan will outline 3 main objectives:

- **Fire Prevention:** Proper maintenance of the building's fire protection systems and facilities.
- Occupant Safety: A systematic method for safe and orderly evacuation of the building.
- Fire Control and Extinguishment: To establish procedures and that will maximize the probability of controlling and extinguishing a fire.

Q: Why do I need a Fire Safety Plan?

A: Building residents, occupants, and managers will have organized procedures to deal with an emergency, and be prepared for that emergency. Section 2.8.1.1.1.b. of the Vancouver Fire Bylaw states that every building required to have a fire alarm system must have a Fire Safety Plan.







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Q: What else is in a Fire Safety Plan?

A: Information for appointed supervisory staff including:

- Related fire safety duties and responsibilities.
- Detailed maintenance procedures for fire protection systems, equipment and devices.
- Instructions and diagrams describing the type, location and operation of building fire emergency systems.

Q: Where is the Fire Safety Plan?

A: The Fire Safety Plan is usually stored in a regulation approved and weather-resistant fire safety plan box. The box can usually be accessed inside the entrance of the building.

Q: What if I don't have a Fire Safety Plan?

A: Contact one of the Fire Safety Planning companies to prepare one for you and have it submitted electronically for Vancouver Fire Rescue Services to review.

Q: Who can I ask to access the Fire Safety Plan?

A: You may ask the Building Owner, Manager or Management Company to access and review the Fire Safety Plan.





