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San Francisco Fire Bureau of Fire Prevention

New requirements for ALL San Francisco apartment buildings

WHAT:

To promote and provide information to all building owners and residents in San Francisco regarding the new tenant focused safety requirements of the 2016 Fire Code required for all apartments beginning January 31, 2017. A live demonstration of the posted informational signage will be available along with additional information regarding enforcement of these requirements.

In August 2016, the San Francisco Board of Supervisors passed new legislation aimed at promoting fire and life safety, reducing the risk of fires, and preventing property damage from fires. These laws, which have been incorporated into the San Francisco Fire Code, establish new requirements for owners of residential buildings.

The new requirements include having building owners provide residential tenants with updated information on fire safety and smoke alarm requirements, post fire safety related information in common areas of their buildings, file and post a Statement of Compliance form for annual fire alarm testing, and post the building manager contact information at the building entry. The requirements and effective dates vary based on the total number of residential units in each building and when the legislation was approved. Failure to comply with these requirements will lead to violations being issued.

The new code requirements and compliance dates are available on the San Francisco Fire Department-Bureau of Fire Prevention website at www.sf-fire.org under the Building Owner's Requirements link. On the site you will find the necessary forms, examples of signs, sample letters to residents, and other helpful information to assist you with compliance.

If you would like more information after visiting our website, please visit our office at 698 2nd St., Room 109, between 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday or call 415-558-3300. The San Francisco Fire Department-Bureau of Fire Prevention is available to answer your questions.

WHEN:

January the 4th, 2017 at 11am

WHERE:

1476 Valencia Street, San Francisco, CA

WHO:

San Francisco Fire Chief Joanne Hayes-White San Francisco Fire Marshal Dan DeCossio Members of the San Francisco Fire Prevention and Education Team
