Short-Term Rental Fire Inspection Requirements

Please note:
These requirements are based on The International Fire Code (available at Fire Prevention Office located at 1751 Cerrillos Rd.). This is not a comprehensive list, only the most common.

Provide address numerals at least 4 inches tall, with one half inch stroke width, in contrasting color, visible from the street. IFC 505

Fireplaces/Wood Stoves require a non-combustible ash receptacle outside the structure. Covered receptacles shall be a minimum of 2 feet from the structure. Uncovered receptacles shall be a minimum of 10 feet from the structure. IFC 305

Combustible materials shall not be store near fuel fire heating equipment, or in special rooms containing fuel fired equipment. IFC 315

Smoke alarms shall be installed in each sleeping room, in each story including basements, and immediately outside each bedroom, and installed according to the manufacture’s requirements. IFC 907

At least one (1) 2A, 10BC portable fire extinguisher mounted in a conspicuous, unobstructed, unobscured location, and shall be hung no higher than 5 feet, and no lower than 4 inches. If visual obstruction can’t be avoided, the location shall be marked by means acceptable to inspector. Maximum travel distance 75 feet. Extinguishers older than one year shall be serviced and tagged annually by an approved company. IFC 906

Automatic sprinkler systems shall be service annually. IFC 901

Escape and rescue openings cannot require keys, tools, or force greater than for normal operation. If bars or grills are installed, a release mechanism shall be installed. IFC 1030

Extension cords used in place of permanent wiring and multi-plug adapters, such as cube adaptors, unfused plug strips, or any other devices not complying with the electrical code are prohibited. IFC 605.5

Portable electric space heaters must be listed with labels present. IFC 605.7

Electrical breaker boxes cannot be hidden, and must have approved covers for any missing breakers. IFC 605