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**FIRE DEPARTMENT  
INFORMATION BULLETIN**

**SUBJECT: RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY PULL STATION REQUIREMENTS**

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**Code Reference:**

Santa Rosa City Code, Chapter 18-44.1007.2.1.4

1994 Uniform Fire Code, Section 1007

CCR Title 24, Part 2-1211 (c)

**NOTE:** This bulletin is a summary of Fire Department interpretations of City and State Codes. Information contained herein applies to typical instances and may not address all circumstances.

There have been some recent changes in the regulations regarding Residential Care Facilities with six (6) or less clients. More specifically, existing care facilities are now required to provide one (1) manual pull station which is audible throughout the facility.

The Santa Rosa Fire Department will accept a pull station with a horn or bell and a strobe light assembly as a means of annunciation for occupants and staff. The power for this alarm can come from the 110v electrical supply currently used in your facility. It must, however, be tied directly to a dedicated circuit on your electrical panel. A dedicated circuit is one that is defined as a circuit (or breaker switch) in which no other electrical devices are being used except the one for which it is assigned. This means that the fire alarm is the only device permitted to be on that electrical circuit.

The pull station and bell/horn strobe device must be "Listed" as acceptable fire alarm devices by the California State Fire Marshal. Most of these items can be obtained from local fire alarm contractors and some electrical supply warehouses.

A permit is required from the Fire Department to install the fire alarm noted above. Enclosed is a permit application. Please complete the application and submit it with the current permit fee. In addition to the application, the following items should be provided:

1. A floor plan of your facility (not required to be to scale) showing the location of

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the pull station and the bell/horn strobe device. Include the name of your facility and address on the plan.

2. A copy of the "Listing Sheet" for the pull station and bell/horn device you plan to use in your facility. This can be obtained from the fire alarm contractor where you purchase the hardware.
3. A simple wiring diagram that shows (on the floor plan) the wire configurations from the electrical panel to the pull station and bell/horn assembly.
4. A note on the plan indicating the type and size of wire to be used to power the devices.
5. A note on the plan indicating that the power from the electrical panel to the device will be on a dedicated circuit.

Do not install the device until you receive approval of your permit from the Fire Department. Once your permit is approved, please install the device as soon as possible. An inspection of the installed device by a Fire Inspector will be required for final approval. This can be done by calling the Santa Rosa Fire Department Business Office at 543-3500, and asking for your District Inspector.