Amanda’s Law
Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Amanda’s Law was named in honor of Buffalo resident Amanda Hansen, a teenage girl who lost her life to carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning from a defective boiler when sleeping over at a friend’s house in January 2009.

Beginning February 22, 2010, a new law goes into effect in New York to help protect your family from carbon monoxide poisoning.

The new law requires the following:

- CO alarms must be installed in all new and existing one and two-family dwellings, multifamily dwellings and rentals having a fuel-burning appliance, system or attached garage.
- The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends CO alarms be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.
- CO alarms must be listed to comply with UL (Underwriters Laboratories) 2034 or CSA (Canadian Standards Association) 6.19 and installed in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.
- For more information on CO, visit www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc

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