

Administrator Alert

*Policy updates & rule clarifications for Assisted Living,
Residential Care & Nursing Facilities*

Office of Licensing & Quality – Oregon Department of Human Services

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Fire and Life Safety Guide (2011) and Revised Holiday Decorations Guidelines

Dear Administrator,

Attached please find the July 2011 Fire and Life Safety Guide and revised holiday decoration guidelines.

All licensed care facilities in Oregon are mandated to comply with state fire and life safety requirements as specified in the Oregon Fire Code (OFC), the Oregon Structural Specialty Code (Building Code), & the Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code (Mechanical Code). In addition, all health care facilities certified by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) are mandated to comply with the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code (LSC), 2000 Edition. The objective of this manual is to provide licensed facilities with common recommended practices and suggested procedures to maintain a reasonable level of fire and life safety.

References:

Oregon State Fire Marshal, Fire and Life Safety Practices manual

http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Fire_Life_Safety/FireLifeSafetyPracticesNH_Hospices.pdf

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