Short-Term Rental Fire Inspection Requirements

General Precautions Against Fire:

- Address must be clearly marked in accordance with IFC § 505.1
- □ Fireplaces/Wood Stoves: a non-combustible ash receptacle with lid must be provided outside the structure meeting the distance requirements as per IFC § 305.2
- □ Combustible materials shall not be stored near fuel fired heating equipment or in special rooms containing fuel fired equipment as per IFC § 315.2.3
- Portable fuel fired heaters shall not be permitted as per IFC § 603.4

Fire Suppression & Detection Equipment:

- □ Single Station Smoke Alarms must be provided as per IFC § 907.2.10.1.2
- □ At least one (1) 2A 10BC Portable Fire Extinguisher shall be mounted in a visible and accessible location as per IFC § 906.1
- □ Fire Extinguisher(s) shall be serviced annually by an approved company as per IFC § 906.2
- □ Any installed fire alarm or automatic fire sprinkler system must be inspected annually by an approved company as per IFC § 901.6

Means of Egress:

□ Each sleeping room shall have, in addition to the exit door, one other means to provide an emergency escape, which may be a second door that leads directly to the outside of the structure, or an openable window that is operational from within the area in which it serves without the use of any special tools or keys. If bars or grills are installed, a release mechanism shall be installed. (IRC § 311.4, IFC § 1026.1 and IFC § 1026.4)

Electrical Safety:

- □ Multi-plug adapters, such as cube adaptors, un-fused plug strips or any other devices not complying with the electrical code are prohibited as per IFC § 604.4
- Extension cords shall not be utilized as permanent wiring as per IFC § 604.4
- □ When utilized, portable electric hearts shall comply with IFC § 605.10 (remember that portable fuel fired heaters are prohibited as per IFC § 603.4)

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