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**Attention:** The following document contains important fire safety information for Owners, Operators, Staff and Clients of Care Occupancies such as Care and Treatment Occupancies, Retirement Homes and Group Homes.

Ontario Regulation 150/13 was made on April 29, 2013 and filed with the Ontario Legislature on May 9, 2013. This regulation amends the Ontario Fire Code (O. Reg. 213/07) and sets out a number of new safety provisions that primarily relate to facilities that provide care to residents of those facilities. A number of the new provisions of the amended Ontario Fire Code have come into effect as of **January 1, 2014**. It is the responsibility of the owner or operator of care facilities to ensure that the facility is maintained and operated in compliance with the Ontario Fire Code. Owners and operators of care occupancies that are unsure of the fire safety compliance status of their facility are encouraged to conduct an overall fire safety audit of their occupancy and operations. Should owners and operators of care occupancies require assistance to perform a fire safety audit they are further encouraged to engage the services of a fire protection consultant.

Owners and operators of care occupancies are being provided with links to the following material to assist owners and operators with fulfilling their legal obligations as set out in the Ontario Fire Code as well as to minimize the risk to residents, staff and all other building occupants due to fire. The Arnprior Fire Department strongly recommends that owners and operators of care occupancies consider these documents and take the necessary steps to fulfill their legal obligation.

[Ontario Regulation 150/13](#)

[PowerPoint with voiceover on "Vulnerable Occupancies and O. Reg 150/13"](#)

[Requirements for Care Occupancies, Ontario Regulation 150/13 – Compliance Schedule](#)

[Communique 2013-14, Training Strategy to Enhance Fire Safety](#)

[OFMEM TG 01-2013, Staffing Levels in Care Occupancies and Retirement Homes](#)

[OFM TG-01-2004, Fire Drills](#)

[OFM TG-02-1999, Fire Safety Planning for Institutional Facilities](#)

[OFM TG-00-1997, Fire Safety Planning for Residential Care Facilities](#)

[OFMEM - Fire Protection Consultant Resources](#)

The Arnprior Fire Department thanks the owners, operators, staff and clients of care occupancies for their attention to these very significant fire safety matters. Should you have any questions about any of this material please contact the Fire Prevention Office of the Arnprior Fire Department at (613) 623 4231 ext. 250.