

The Peloton
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Outdated Unit Alarms? Combination Carbon Monoxide/Smoke Detectors Available

The Peloton Units originally came equipped with hard-wired smoke alarms on the ceilings both outside and inside of every bedroom, and a plug-in Carbon Monoxide (CO) alarm in a wall socket. We understand that the Colorado law now requires CO alarms within fifteen feet outside of every bedroom. Any Owner who does not presently meet that 15-foot requirement for all bedrooms is advised to buy the necessary CO alarms and install them. Any Owner who has never replaced any CO alarm in their Unit is advised to do so, unless they are sure that the alarm is less than ten years old, and that it is working. Smoke alarms should also be replaced at least every ten years. Given that Units in Bldgs C&D are at or past the 10-year age mark, the Association wanted to give Owners a reminder to confirm that you have working smoke and CO alarms in your Unit. Maintaining these alarms in working order is an Association requirement and is an Owner responsibility.

You may want to consider a combination CO/smoke alarm. Costco now has on sale combination CO/smoke alarms that plug in to the existing wiring harness for our ceiling-mounted smoke alarms. The advertised cost until May 12, 2019 for these alarms is two for \$54.99. The normal cost for two, according to Costco, is \$69.99. The product is Item 1320248; a "First Alert 120v Smoke & C/O Alarm 2Pk." (The mounting plate will need to be replaced. This task requires loosening two screws, dropping the old plate, putting in the new plate, and tightening the two screws.) Replacing hard-wired smoke alarms that are outside of bedrooms with combination CO/smoke hard-wired alarms is an Association recommendation, but not an Association requirement. For a ceiling installation, Owners should install only hard-wired alarms; they should not install any battery-powered alarm. The Association does require that all Unit ceiling alarms be hard-wired. Home Depot currently offers Kidde hard-wired 120v smoke-only alarms that will work in the Peloton ceilings, but those alarms require replacing the old wiring harness with the one provided with the new alarm. (If replacing the ceiling wiring harness, turn off the power. The Unit fuse box will show which fuse controls the smoke detectors.) Other vendors also offer hard-wired alarms for CO and/or smoke.

We hope this information was helpful to you.