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CODE INTERPRETATION

QUESTION

What are the electrical requirements when it comes to bathroom or kitchen remodels?

CODE REFERENCE:

2006 International Residential Code R313.2.1 & Clover Policy

ANSWER

When kitchen or bathroom countertop cabinets are installed, added, or replaced (in whole or in part):

- The countertop outlet requirements shall meet current NEC (proper location and spacing, GFCI protected, etc.).
- All current Code requirements must be met regarding the installation of new electrical equipment or appliances.
- If kitchen work, 120/240 volt range, oven, and cooktop circuits must be changed to 4-wire circuits unless doing so would result in damage to wall covering in a portion of the house not involved in the remodel.
- Also, except for plumbing, mechanical and exterior work only, when residential work requiring a permit occurs, the entire home is required to be upgraded to today's smoke alarm code (be hardwired, interconnected, located inside and outside all bedrooms). Limited exceptions exist for hard wiring and interconnection.

Note: Replacement of countertops and/or door facings *only* is exempt.

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Building Official / Town of Clover

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