

Member Advisory: City of Millbrae  
Requirement at Point of Sale: Chimney Spark Arrestors

This is to advise that the city of Millbrae adopted a requirement in 2007, enforced at the point of sale, regarding the installation of chimney spark arrestors.

Chapter 9.30 – Fire Code; 9.30.100 Amendment of Section 603.

Section 603.6.6 of the fire code is added to read as follows:

Spark Arrestors. Every chimney shall have a spark arrestor, either internally or externally mounted. All chimneys as described in section 603.6 shall be retroactively protected when one or more of the following conditions exist:

1. Upon the sale or transfer of the real property on which any chimney is located, the transfer of title shall not be made until each such chimney has a spark arrestor properly installed and in proper working order. Written proof of installation or of existing condition shall be made by the selling agent to the Millbrae Fire Department.
2. In the event of any construction on such property for which a building permit is required, the final building permit sign off shall not be made until a Fire Official or his designee has verified through documentation or inspection that a spark arrestor has been installed and is in proper working order.

\*The Seller's agent will have to either provide the Fire Department with written proof that a spark arrestor has been installed. If not, the Fire Marshall will perform an onsite inspection.\*