



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Fire alarm and sprinkler exemptions for portable classrooms		
Code Section(s)	§305.11.3, California Building Code (2001)		
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Section 305.11.3 talks about exemptions of automatic fire detection, alarms and sprinkler systems in portable buildings that will be located on campuses for less than three years. Does this exemption include the fire alarm requirements of Sections 305.9.1?

No. Section 305.9.1 would apply to single-classroom portable buildings having an occupant load of 50 or more that are certified by the public school administration as being placed on a campus for not more than three years. If the single-classroom portable building has an occupant load of 49 or less, Section 305.9.1 would not apply.