

Clark County Building and Fire Prevention Field Inspection Division FIELD INSPECTION GUIDELINE

Division:	Inspections	Policy & Procedure:	FIG-E-005
Subject:	AFCI Breakers	Effective Date:	06/01/2006
Code:	2017 NEC 210.12	Revised Date:	10/01/2020
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Interpretation:

Section 210.12 (D) does not address installing arc-fault circuit interrupter breakers on existing circuits. The Code does not require that when existing breakers are being replaced, that they should be replaced with Arc-Fault breaker useable on multi-wire circuits. Requiring Arc-Fault breakers would not be applicable on all existing job sites.

Field Application:

Service upgrades and panel change-outs with existing wiring to bedrooms shall be allowed to replace existing breakers with the same type and size as the original. Upgrading to Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupter breakers shall not be required.