

NEWBURGH READY



Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Change Your Clocks, Change Your Alarm Batteries

One of the best things we can do to keep our families safe is to make sure smoke and carbon monoxide alarms have fresh batteries. A working smoke alarm is your first line of defense in a fire. Time is your enemy in a fire and working smoke alarms give you precious time to use your home escape plan before poisonous gases and heat make escape impossible. Install smoke detectors on every floor and in every bedroom in your home.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors are equally important in warning occupants of the buildup of this deadly colorless and odorless gas. Install Carbon Monoxide Detectors on every floor of your home or building.

Replace Aging Smoke & CO Alarms

No appliance lasts forever. “When changing your alarm’s batteries check to see if your alarms need to be replaced. Smoke alarms last about ten years and older carbon monoxide alarms last 5-7,” but it’s also necessary to check all detectors monthly to ensure their operability. A good practice is to change the batteries in your detectors when we change the clocks every Spring and Fall.

Ten Year Alarms

New smoke and CO alarms come with a sealed 10-year lithium battery. The batteries in these alarms never need changing, but the entire alarm needs to be replaced every ten years. These 10 year alarms need to be checked monthly as well.

Ensuring working smoke alarms in your home is the single most important step you can take to increase your family’s safety from a home fire. Purchasing and installing smoke alarms with batteries that do not need to be changed annually is one of the most affordable ways to protect your family. According to the National Fire Protection Association, almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in properties without working smoke alarms. A working smoke alarm significantly increases your chances of surviving a deadly home fire.



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