



## Did you know?

Smoke alarms should be tested monthly.

Change smoke alarm batteries at least once a year — unless yours have 10-year, sealed lithium batteries.

Replace all smoke alarms every 10 years.

Working smoke alarms cut in half your risk of dying in a residential fire.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT:

## SMOKE ALARMS

- **Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement.**
- **Interconnect your home's smoke alarms. This way, when one sounds, they all sound.**
- **Teach children the sound of the smoke alarm and to exit the home/building when it sounds.**
- **Place alarms on the ceiling. If alarms are placed on the wall they must be no more than 12 inches below the ceiling.**



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