

Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms can save your life, but only if they're used and maintained properly:

- Test your smoke alarm monthly by pushing the test button provided on the smoke alarm. If it's not working properly, change the batteries and test it again. If it's still not working, replace it with a new smoke alarm.
- Make certain that smoke alarms are installed outside the door of each bedroom in your home. Modern building codes in most municipalities require this placement, but older homes may have been built without smoke alarms.
- Replace the batteries in the smoke alarm twice a year. BSO Fire Rescue recommends you do so each time you change your clocks for Standard Time and Daylight Savings Time, once in the spring and once in the fall. Just remember the phrase "change your clocks, change your batteries."