

**Smoke Alarms → Safety**

**The Facts:**

* **3 in 5 deaths** due to home fires happen with broken smoke alarms
* The risk of dying in a home fire is **cut in half** with working smoke alarms

**Safety Tips:**

* Each bedroom, living area and the basement needs a working smoke alarm
* Smoke alarms in the kitchen should be at least 10 feet from a cooking appliance - to reduce false alarms
* Some cities offer free smoke alarms and installation. If you need alarms or help, contact the American Red Cross

Only ***working*** smoke alarms save lives!

**After 10 years,** **replace alarms**

**Every 3** **months,** **test alarms**

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|  |  |  |  | **Early fall,** **change** **batteries** |

**Helpful Resources**

**American Red Cross |** *www.getasmokealarm.org*

* Free smoke alarms if you cannot buy them or if you’re physically unable to install a smoke alarm
* Special bedside alarms for the deaf or hard of hearing
* Information in English and Spanish

