

SMOKE ALARMS

There are two types of smoke alarms:



Battery powered smoke alarms: home owners or a handyman can install battery powered smoke alarms.



Hard wired smoke alarms: a licensed electrician should install hard wired smoke alarms.

Fire Departments recommend the hard wired smoke alarms.

Always read the smoke alarm instructions before installation.

Smoke alarms work best when installed on the ceiling, away from walls.

At least one smoke alarm should be installed on each level of a house or flat.

Fire Departments recommend smoke alarms:

- in the hallways leading from the kitchen to the bedrooms
- in all bedrooms

Read the information and answer the questions.

1. Who can install a battery powered smoke alarm?

2. Who should install a hard wired smoke alarm?

3. What do you need to read before installing a smoke alarm?

4. Where is the best place to install a smoke alarm?

5. Where do Fire Departments say to install the smoke alarms?

Read the information and complete the sentences.

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6. Fire Departments recommend installing smoke alarms

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Checking Smoke Alarms

Read the instructions.

Checking smoke alarms

- Test your smoke alarm every month
- Clean your smoke alarm every six months
- Change the battery when you change your clock for daylight saving
- Install a new smoke alarm every ten years
- If your smoke alarms gives out a short beep every 60 seconds, you should change the battery.

Read the instructions again and answer the questions.

1. How often do you need to test your smoke alarm?

Every day

Every month

Every year

2. How often do you clean your smoke alarm?

3. When do you change the battery of your smoke alarm?

4. How often do you install a new smoke alarm?

5. If you hear short beeps every 60 seconds, what should you do?
