



Daylight savings time ends on Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 a.m. – Fall back smoke detector check

The Sheboygan Fire Department (Fall Back Smoke Detector Check).

Change batteries at least once a year, or more often, if the low-battery warning activates. A good idea is to choose the same day or week each year to replace batteries. Mark the battery with the installation date. (There are smoke alarms with 10-year batteries available. For smoke alarms with regular batteries, replace the batteries once a year when you change your clocks, fall back, spring forward, or before if the battery starts to chirp.

A safer product that can save you money on battery replacements is a 10- year lithium smoke detector. The smoke detector provides 10 years of power and the battery cannot be tampered with. This technology provides long lasting, tamperproof protection and is highly recommended by the Sheboygan Fire Department. Also, Landlords are required to provide its tenants smoke detection protection in all of its rental properties. It is then the responsibility of the tenant to maintain those detectors with installed and working batteries, if required.

People in Wisconsin die because of not being warned of fires that they cannot see. Working smoke alarms have been shown to reduce by half the risk of death by fire. Most fire deaths are caused by smoke inhalation, not by burns. Hundreds of Wisconsinites are seriously and painfully injured each year. Also, smoke alarms protect property by providing early warning for the need to call help. Be safe, be smart, protect yourself.