

HOME CPR:

CHECK:

- Smoke alarms and batteries
 - CO detectors
- At least 2 times/year**

PREVENT:

- Plan escape routes
- Review “what to do” in an emergency
- Call 9-1-1

REPLACE:

All smoke alarms
every 10 years

Replace batteries in
smoke alarms and CO
detectors as needed

**Home CPR
saves lives!**

For more information,
visit: www.maricopa-az.gov/fire

Presented by:
City of Maricopa
Maricopa Fire/Medical

Printing courtesy of:
Maricopa Seniors, Inc.
An Arizona Non-Profit

Home CPR

Part of the Smoke Alarm
Replacement Plan



C = CHECK

P = PREVENT

R = REPLACE

Smoke alarms save lives!

Smoke spreads fast with a fire. Smoke alarms provide an early warning so you can get out quickly.

DO NOT disable smoke alarms!

Each year, 3 out of 5 home fire deaths result when there are no smoke alarms or when there are non-working smoke alarms in the home.

Test and replace the batteries.

Home CPR advises that you:

- *Test batteries in the smoke alarms and CO detectors at least two times each year (ex. January and July)*
- *Replace batteries as needed*

Smoke alarms should be tested regularly.

Smoke alarms can be tested by pressing the “test” button on the unit. If you have an alarm that “chirps”, it could mean that the batteries are failing or the unit is faulty. Practice Home CPR to ensure all smoke alarms are in working order.

Working smoke alarms help reduce death or injury.

Smoke alarms help reduce fire injuries and deaths, but they must be installed correctly on every floor or level and working properly to do the job.

Have an exit plan and practice it!

Make sure everyone knows what to do if an alarm sounds or if there is a fire. If a smoke alarm or CO detector goes off, DO NOT IGNORE IT. Get people and any pets out of the home and then, once everyone is safely outdoors, call 9-1-1. DO NOT GO BACK INTO THE HOME. Let emergency first responders check to make sure there is no danger or fire.

Practice fire safety.

Common causes of home fires include:

- *Cooking/cooking equipment*
- *Heating*
- *Smoking*
- *Faulty wiring*
- *Candles/open flames*

BE SMART, BE SAFE

Smoke alarms have a life expectancy of 10 years.

Smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years. Check the expiration date inside the unit. Smoke alarms that are expired won't work properly even with new/fresh batteries.

Install and maintain working CO detectors in your home.

Carbon Monoxide is a gas present in the air, but high levels of CO can be deadly. It is odorless, colorless and stateless, but a working CO detector will alert you to its presence.

If you need assistance testing or replacing smoke alarms or CO detectors, call an electrician or licensed handyman.

Falls, injuries or other costly errors can be prevented by using qualified people with the tools and expertise needed. Inquire at your local hardware store, check local listings and other resources for electricians, handymen or others.

REMEMBER Home CPR:

**Check
Prevent
Replace**



**HOME CPR
Saves Lives!**

REMEMBER Home CPR:

**Check
Prevent
Replace**