

Your life could depend on it: smoke alarms and carbon dioxide detectors

Reporter Script:

Did you know that one in 7 house fires occurs in a home without a working smoke alarm? October 5th to 11th marks Fire Prevention Week and fire departments throughout North America are reminding homeowners that working smoke alarms save lives and that it's important to test yours every month.

To protect your family, Blaine Wiggins with the Aboriginal Firefighters Association, recommends replacing older smoke alarms, and suggests you consider buying a 10-year titanium power smoke alarm, that is properly powered.

Suggested Quote:

As part of the BeFireSafe campaign we advise homeowners to check both smoke alarms and carbon dioxide detectors monthly and make sure you have working smoke alarms and a CO detector throughout your home.

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Smoke alarms should be installed outside each sleeping room and on each floor of your house, including the basement. For additional tips on indoor heating safety, visit the Aboriginal Firefighters Association of Canada website at afac-acpi.ca.