

# NEWBURGH READY



## Smoke Detectors

**You Changed Your Clocks This Weekend... Did You Change The Batteries In Your Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors?**

One of the best things we can do to keep our families safe is to make sure smoke and carbon monoxide alarms have fresh batteries. A working smoke alarm is your first line of defense in a fire. Time is your enemy in a fire and working smoke alarms give you precious time to use your home escape plan before poisonous gases and heat make escape impossible.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors are equally important in warning occupants of the buildup of this deadly colorless and odorless gas. Every building should have a Carbon Monoxide Detector.

### **Replace Aging Smoke & CO Alarms**

No appliance lasts forever. “When changing your alarm’s batteries check to see if your alarms need to be replaced. Smoke alarms last about ten years and older carbon monoxide alarms last 5-7,” but it’s also necessary to check all detectors monthly to ensure their operability.

### **Ten Year Alarms**

There are some new smoke and CO alarms that come with a sealed 10-year lithium battery. The batteries in these alarms never need changing, but the entire alarm needs to be replaced every ten years. These 10 year alarms need to be checked monthly as well.

**For more information on smoke alarms in the City of Newburgh call the Newburgh Fire Department at 845-562-1212 or 845-569-7419.**



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