



CERT Monthly Safety Tip

Fire Safety – What YOU Need to Know

- Almost 60% of home fire deaths result from fires in homes without working smoke alarms (NFPA)
- Carbon monoxide is a leading cause of accidental poisoning in the US (CDC)
- Unattended cooking is #1 cause of cooking fires (NFPA)
- A fire department responds to a fire every 24 seconds in America (NFPA)

You can help protect yourself :

- Plan alternate escape routes ahead of time
- If you cannot quickly and safely extinguish the fire, get out of the house and call 911
- Invest in a Class A-B-C fire extinguisher for wood, paper, flammable liquid and electrical fires. Learn how to use it. Remember PASS – Pull the pin; Aim low; Squeeze the lever; Sweep the nozzle from side to side
- Set a calendar reminder to check all fire extinguishers and change smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector batteries twice a year (e.g. when the clocks change)

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