

City of Chelsea

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Programs and Information

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City of Chelsea

Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department

Fire and Life Safety Education Programs and Information

The City of Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department makes educating our community neighbors in fire and life safety skills a top priority. We offer a comprehensive Public Fire & Life Safety Education and Information Program by providing courses, classes and general information for you.

Our Public Education Team members are veteran professional firefighters and fire instructors that have an interest in helping the community by focusing their talents in educating our community.

Lieutenant Don Williamson, Public Education Officer

Firefighter Ashley Clinton, Team member and illusionist

Firefighter Jonathan King, Team member

Captain Brad McCain, Child Safety Seat Specialist

Captain Adam Reeves, CPR and AED Instructor

Firefighter/Paramedic Terry Smith, Team member

How to use these programs

We are committed to servicing our neighbors with quality education and information.

Provided below is a complete list of the public education programs, services and information that the Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department offers. You can also receive education materials at our Stations or print them online.

You can sign up online or contact our Public Education Office at 205-678-6060.

Each program has the following information:

Topic
Description
More Info...
(under more info...)
Additional information
Length of Course
Required Prior Notice
Age Ranges
Level of Commitment Rating
Applicable Fees
Ask Questions about the course
Sign up Form

Levels of commitment scale

*	Short class, two hours or less
**	Short class, half a day, may or may not involve skill and written test.
***	Normally full day class, may or may not involve skill and written test
****	Lengthy class, More than a two day class with written and skill testing
*****	Several week course, written and skill testing, strong commitment required.

List of Programs:

Bicycle Safety Program and Information
Boy Scout Programs
Carbon Monoxide Program and Information
Career Day Program
Child Safety Seat Program and Information
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CPR
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Girl Scout Programs
Hazardous Material Information
Home Fire Inspection Program
Hug-a-Bear Program
Keeping Kids Safe
Safe Place
School Program
Senior Citizens Information
Smoke Alarm Program and Information

Bicycle Safety Program

Protect your head - wear your helmet!

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department can provide you with bicycle safety information. We can provide your group with a short bicycle safety course and is a great reminder for adults. Adults, please remember to set an example for your children and wear your helmet! [More Info...](#)

Attend our annual bicycle rodeo and safety fair. Call us for more information.

Parents and adults please set an example for our children and wear your helmet.

Links:

Bicycle Safety/National Highway Transportation Safety Administration

<http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/portal/site/nhtsa/menuitem.810acae50c651189ca8e410dba046a0/>

Alabama Bicycle Law

www.alabamacyclingnews.com/Race%20Writeups/bikelaws.pdf

Bicycle Helmet Safety Institute <http://www.helmets.org/index.htm>

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Boy Scouts of America

These courses satisfy the Merit Badge requirements of The [Boy Scouts of America](#) Handbook for First Aid, Fire Safety and Emergency Preparedness. All instructors are fire department personnel and we encourage the whole family to attend due to the large amount of valuable information provided. [More Info...](#)

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Links

Boy Scouts of America: www.Scouting.org

Boy Scouts of America

First Aid Merit Badge

First aid—caring for injured or ill persons until they can receive professional medical care—is an important skill for every Scout. With some knowledge of first aid, a Scout can provide immediate care and help to someone who is hurt or who becomes ill. First aid can help prevent infection and serious loss of blood. It could even save a limb or a life.

Requirements

1. Satisfy your counselor that you have current knowledge of all first-aid requirements for Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks.
2. Do the following:
 - a. Explain how you would obtain emergency medical assistance from your home, on a wilderness camping trip, and during an activity on open water.
 - b. Prepare a first-aid kit for your home. Display and discuss its contents with your counselor.
3. Do the following:
 - a. Explain what action you should take for someone who shows signs of a heart attack.
 - b. Identify the conditions that must exist before performing CPR on a person.
 - c. Demonstrate proper technique in performing CPR using a training device approved by your counselor.
 - d. Show the steps that need to be taken for someone suffering from a severe laceration on the leg and on the wrist. Tell the dangers in the use of a tourniquet and the conditions under which its use is justified.
 - e. Explain when a bee sting could be life threatening and what action should be taken for prevention and for first aid.
 - f. Explain the symptoms of heatstroke and what action needs to be taken for first aid and for prevention.
4. Do the following:
 - a. Describe the signs of a broken bone. Show first-aid procedures for handling fractures, including open (compound) fractures of the forearm, wrist, upper leg, and lower leg using improvised materials.
 - b. Describe the symptoms and possible complications and demonstrate proper procedures for treating suspected injuries to the back, neck, and head. Explain what measures should be taken to reduce the possibility of further complicating these injuries.
5. Describe the symptoms, proper first-aid procedures, and possible prevention measures for the following conditions:
 - a. Hypothermia
 - b. Convulsions/seizures
 - c. Frostbite

WWW.Scouting.org



First Aid

BSA Supply No. 33301

- d. Dehydration
 - e. Bruises, strains, sprains
 - f. Burns
 - g. Abdominal pain
 - h. Broken, chipped, or loosened tooth
 - i. Knocked out tooth
 - j. Muscle cramps
6. Do the following:
- a. If a sick or injured person must be moved, tell how you would determine the best method.
 - b. With helpers under your supervision, improvise a stretcher and move a presumably unconscious person.
7. Teach another Scout a first-aid skill selected by your counselor.

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Fire Safety



The ability to use fire safety is essential to human survival. By earning this merit badge, Scouts will learn to use fire safely and responsibly, how to prevent home fires, and how to handle fire safely, as well as burn prevention, and camping safety.

Requirements

1. Do the following:
 - a. Demonstrate the technique of stop, drop, roll, and cool. Explain how burn injuries can be prevented.
 - b. List the most frequent causes of burn injuries.
2. Explain the chemistry and physics of fire. Name the parts of the fire tetrahedron. Explain why vapors are important to the burning process. Name the products of combustion. Give an example of how fire grows and what happens.
3. Name the most frequent causes of fire in the home and give examples of ways it can be prevented.
4. Do the following:
 - a. Explain the role of human behavior in the arson problem in this country.
 - b. List the actions that cause seasonal fires and explain how these fires can be prevented.
5. List the common circumstances that cause holiday-related fires and explain how these fires can be prevented.
6. Conduct a home safety survey with the help of an adult. Then do the following:
 - a. Draw a home fire-escape plan, create a home fire-drill schedule, and conduct a home fire drill.
 - b. Test a smoke alarm and demonstrate regular maintenance of a smoke alarm.



Fire Safety

BSA Supply No. 33318

- c. Explain what to do when you smell gas and when you smell smoke.
 - d. Explain how you would report a fire alarm.
 - e. Explain what fire safety equipment can be found in public buildings.
 - f. Explain who should use fire extinguishers and when these devices can be used.
 - g. Explain how to extinguish a grease pan fire.
 - h. Explain what fire safety precautions you should take when you are in a public building.
7. Do the following:
 - a. Demonstrate lighting a match safely.
 - b. Demonstrate the safe way to start a charcoal fire.
 - c. Demonstrate the safe way to melt wax.
 8. Explain the difference between combustible and noncombustible liquids and between combustible and noncombustible fabrics.
 9. Do the following:
 - a. Demonstrate the safe way to fuel a lawn mower.
 - b. Demonstrate the safety factors, such as proper ventilation, for auxiliary heating devices and the proper way to fuel those devices.
 10. Do the following:
 - a. Explain the cost of outdoor and wildland fires and how to prevent them.
 - b. Demonstrate setting up and putting out a cooking fire.
 - c. Demonstrate using a camp stove and lantern.
 - d. Explain how to set up a campsite safe from fire.
 11. Visit a fire station. Identify the types of fire trucks. Find out about the fire prevention activities in your community.
 12. Choose a fire safety-related career that interests you and describe the level of education required and responsibilities of a person in that position. Tell why this position interests you.

Emergency Preparedness

Scouts are often called upon to help because they know first aid and they know about the discipline and planning needed to react to an emergency situation. Earning this merit badge helps a Scout to be prepared by learning the actions that can be helpful and needed before, during, and after an emergency.

Requirements

1. Earn the First Aid merit badge.
2. Do the following:
 - a. Discuss with your counselor these three aspects of emergency preparedness:
 1. **Recognition** of a potential emergency situation
 2. **Prevention** of an emergency situation
 3. **Reaction** to an emergency situation

Include in your discussion the kinds of questions that are important to ask yourself as you consider each of these.

- b. Make a chart that demonstrates your understanding of each of the three aspects of emergency preparedness in requirement 2a (recognition, prevention, and reaction) with regard to 10 of the situations listed below. **You must use situations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5*** but may choose any other five for a total of 10 situations. Discuss this chart with your counselor.
 1. Home kitchen fire*
 2. Home basement/storage room/garage fire*
 3. Explosion in the home*



Emergency Preparedness
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4. Automobile accident*
 5. Food-borne disease (food poisoning)*
 6. Fire or explosion in a public place
 7. Vehicle stalled in the desert
 8. Vehicle trapped in a blizzard
 9. Flash flooding in town or the country
 10. Mountain/backcountry accident
 11. Boating accident
 12. Gas leak in a building
 13. Tornado or hurricane
 14. Major flood
 15. Nuclear power plant emergency
 16. Avalanche (snowslide or rockslide)
 17. Violence in a public place
- c. Meet with and teach your family how to recognize, prevent, and react to the situations on the chart you created for requirement 2b. Then meet with your counselor and report on your family meeting, discussing their responses.
3. Show how you could safely save a person from the following:
 - a. Touching a live electric wire
 - b. A room filled with carbon monoxide
 - c. Clothes on fire
 - d. Drowning using nonswimming rescues (including accidents on ice)
 4. Show three ways of attracting and communicating with rescue planes/aircraft.
 5. With another person, show a good way to transport an injured person out of a remote and/or rugged area, conserving the energy of rescuers while ensuring the well-being and protection of the injured person.
 6. Do the following:
 - a. Tell the things a group of Scouts should be prepared to do, the training they need, and the safety precautions they should take for the following emergency services:
 1. Crowd and traffic control
 2. Messenger service and communication
 3. Collection and distribution services
 4. Group feeding, shelter, and sanitation
 - b. Identify the government or community agencies that normally handle and prepare for the emergency services listed under 6a, and explain to your counselor how a group of Scouts could volunteer to help in the event of these types of emergencies.
 - c. Find out who is your community's disaster/emergency response coordinator and learn what this person does to recognize, prevent, and respond to emergency situations in your community. Discuss this information with your counselor and apply what you discover to the chart you created for requirement 2b.
 7. Take part in an emergency service project, either a real one or a practice drill, with a Scouting unit or a community agency.

8. Do the following:
 - a. Prepare a written plan for mobilizing your troop when needed to do emergency service. If there is already a plan, explain it. Tell your part in making it work.
 - b. Take part in at least one troop mobilization. Before the exercise, describe your part to your counselor. Afterward, conduct an "after-action" lesson, discussing what you learned during the exercise that required changes or adjustments to the plan.
 - c. Prepare a personal emergency service pack for a mobilization call. Prepare a family kit (suitcase or waterproof box) for use by your family in case an emergency evacuation is needed. Explain the needs and uses of the contents.
9. Do ONE of the following:
 - a. Using a safety checklist approved by your counselor, inspect your home for potential hazards. Explain the hazards you find and how they can be corrected.
 - b. Review or develop a plan of escape for your family in case of fire in your home.
 - c. Develop an accident prevention program for five family activities outside the home (such as taking a picnic or seeing a movie) that includes an analysis of possible hazards, a proposed plan to correct those hazards, and the reasons for the corrections you propose.



Boy Scouts of America

The Award

When a member has fulfilled the requirements, a completed application is submitted to the council. Upon approval, an Emergency Preparedness pin is awarded. The pin may be worn on civilian clothing or on the uniform, centered on the left pocket flap. The award may be earned more than once; for instance, as a young person advances through the ranks and is capable of more complex preparedness activities, but only one pin may be worn.

- [Download the application form](#)

All emergency activities carried out by Scouting units must be appropriate for the ages and abilities of the young people involved. Units should participate only under the supervision of their own leaders, and plans for unit help must be coordinated with community agencies responsible for disaster preparedness.

Tiger Cub Requirements

1. Complete Tiger Cub Achievement 3—Keeping Myself Healthy and Safe. This achievement covers a family fire plan and drill and what to do if separated from the family.
2. Complete Tiger Cub Elective 27—Emergency! This elective helps a Tiger Cub be ready for emergencies and dangerous situations and has him discuss a family emergency plan with his family.
3. With your parent or guardian's help, complete one of these three activities.
 - Take the American Red Cross *First Aid for Children Today* (FACT) course.
 - Join a safe kids program such as McGruff Child Identification, Internet Safety, or Safety at Home.
 - Show and tell your family household what you have learned about preparing for emergencies.

Wolf Cub Scout Requirements

1. Complete Wolf Cub Scout Achievement 9*—Be Safe at Home and on the Street. This is a check of your home to keep it safe.
2. Complete Wolf Cub Scout Elective 16*—Family Alert. This elective is about designing a plan for your home and family in case an emergency takes place.
3. With your parent or guardian's help, complete one of the following activities that you have not already completed for this award as a Tiger Cub:
 - Take American Red Cross *Basic Aid Training* (BAT) to learn emergency skills and care for choking, wounds, nose bleeds, falls, and animal bites. This course includes responses for fire safety, poisoning, water accidents, substance abuse, and more.
 - Make a presentation to your family on what you have learned about preparing for emergencies.
 - Join a Safe Kids program such as McGruff Child Identification program. Put on a training program for your family or den on stranger awareness, Internet safety, or safety at home.

* Achievement and elective *numbers* could change; the achievement or elective *title* determines what the requirement is.

Bear Cub Scout Requirements

1. Complete Bear Cub Scout Achievement 11*—Be Ready. The focus of this achievement is the best way to handle emergencies.
2. Make a small display or give a presentation for your family or den on what you have learned about preparing for emergencies.
3. With your parent or guardian's help, complete one of the following activities that you have not already completed for this award as a Tiger Cub or Wolf Cub Scout:
 - Take American Red Cross *Basic Aid Training* (BAT) to learn emergency skills and care for choking, wounds, nose bleeds, falls, and animal bites. This course includes responses for fire safety, poisoning, water accidents, substance abuse, and more..
 - Put together a family emergency kit for use in the home.
 - Organize a safe kids program such as McGruff Child Identification program. Put on a training program for your family or den on stranger awareness, Internet safety, or safety at home.

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Webelos Scout Requirements

1. Earn the Readyman activity badge from the community badge group.
2. Build a family emergency kit, with an adult family member participating in the project.
3. With your parent or guardian's help, complete one of the following that you have not already completed for this award as a Tiger Cub or Wolf or Bear Cub Scout:
 - Take a first aid course conducted by your local American Red Cross chapter.
 - Give a presentation to your den on preparing for emergencies.
 - Organize a training program for your Webelos den on stranger awareness, Internet safety, or safety at home.

Boy Scout and Varsity Scout Requirements

1. Participate in creating an emergency plan for your home and for your troop or team's Scouting activities. Be sure you know the details of both emergency plans.
2. Earn the First Aid or the Emergency Preparedness merit badge.
3. With your troop or team, including its adult leaders, participate in emergency preparedness training conducted by community emergency preparedness agencies.

Venturer Requirements

1. Complete all of the Emergency Preparedness core requirement number 4 (page 17, *Ranger Guidebook*).
2. Do one of the following:
 - Complete the First Aid core requirement (page 16, *Ranger Guidebook* This may be fulfilled either by completing the standard American Red Cross first aid course When Help Is Delayed or by completing the American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Course.
 - With your crew, including its adult leaders, participate in emergency preparedness training coordinated by community emergency preparedness agencies.

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Carbon Monoxide Detectors

WARNING; IF YOUR CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR IS ACTIVATING WITH THE ALERT SOUND PLEASE CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. We will respond with gas detectors to verify a possible problem. Act NOW!

Is your family at risk for carbon monoxide poisoning? Do you have a fireplace or any gas appliances in your home?

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department can provide you with information about carbon monoxide detectors, the risks of Carbon Monoxide poisoning, and how it can be prevented. [More Info ...](#)

For more information, please contact the Public Education Office 205-678-6060.



[Additional Information](#)

Carbon Monoxide

The Silent Killer

Facts

- According to the Center of Disease Control, nearly 500 unintentional deaths and more than 1700 suicides are related to carbon monoxide poisoning each year in the United States.
- An estimated 3000 to 5000 people are treated annually for carbon monoxide poisoning in hospital emergency rooms, but it is believed that many more are misdiagnosed or never seek medical care.
- CO is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths.

Symptoms

- Early exposure to CO mimics flu-like symptoms; headaches, nausea, dizziness, shortness of breath and confusion.

CO Sources

- CO is produced when fossil fuels burn incompletely as a result of insufficient oxygen. Fuels include natural gas, propane, kerosene, gasoline, coal, wood and charcoal.
- Sources of CO include the furnace, water heater, oven, range, clothes dryer, fireplace, space heater, charcoal grill, wood-burning stove or an idling vehicle in an attached garage.

CO Incidents

- Improper installation or poor maintenance of appliances.
- Inadequate ventilation of appliances, including fuel burning space heaters.
- Automobile exhaust
- In tightly sealed homes, negative pressure can force flue gases (such as those from wood stoves or water heaters) to reverse flow or backdraft into the living space. These incidents are the most difficult to detect.

Age, overall health, length of exposure and the concentration of the exposure (measured in parts per million) all determine the degree to which a person becomes affected by CO.

A source of carbon monoxide poisoning, such as a smoldering fire, faulty furnace, kitchen range or water heater can produce up to 1600 ppm. A charcoal grill produces 3200 ppm and tailpipe exhaust can easily produce in excess of 70,000 ppm. The table below shows typical symptoms based on concentration and time of exposure.

CO Exposure - parts per million (ppm)

9 ppm	EPA residential standard - not to exceed 9 ppm in 8 hours.
35 ppm	EPA residential standard - not to exceed 35 ppm in 1 hour.
50 ppm	OSHA workplace standard - not to exceed 50 ppm in an 8 hour period.
200 ppm	Slight headache, fatigue, dizziness, nausea after 2-3 hours.
400 ppm	Frontal headaches within 1-2 hours. Life threatening after 3 hours.
800 ppm	Dizziness, nausea and convulsions within 45 minutes. Unconsciousness with 2 hours. Death within 2-3 hours.
1600 ppm	Headache, dizziness and nausea within 20 minutes. Death within 1 hour.
12,800 ppm	Death within 1-3 minutes.

CO detectors/alarms always have been and still are designed to alarm before potentially life-threatening levels of CO are reached. The UL standard 2034 (1998 revision) has stricter requirements that the detector/alarm must meet before it can sound. As a result, the possibility of nuisance alarms is decreased.

Underwriters Laboratories (UL) Standards for CO Alarms @ 85 decibels

30 ppm present	Alarm will sound when present for more than 30 days. (Alarm required to ignore low-level concentration of CO unless present long-term.)
70 ppm present	Alarm will sound within 1-4 hours. (Alarm required to ignore concentration levels of 70 ppm for at least 1 hour before alarm will sound.)
150 ppm present	Alarm will sound within 10-50 minutes.
400 ppm present	Alarm will sound within 4-15 minutes.

Additional helpful links

Centers for Disease Control: www.cdc.gov

Consumer Product Safety Commission: www.cpsc.gov

Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov/iaq/co.html>

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): www.fema.gov

HEAT YOUR HOME SAFELY

Doing a simple, ten minute check of a furnace can reduce the likelihood of serious danger from a malfunctioning system. Damaged or worn furnaces can emit lethal quantities of carbon monoxide, an odorless and colorless gas which can cause sickness or even death.

Ten Point Furnace Safety Check:

- Look for cracked, rusted, misaligned or clogged vents.
- Inspect for soot in the burning area and vents - this can be an indication that the gas burner is not properly adjusted and requires servicing.
- Clean all dust and lint near the burning chamber. Please ensure that the thermostat is in the off position prior to cleaning.
- Check your flue assembly for alignment and rigidity; a small earthquake is all it takes to loosen the flue to allow the products of combustion into your home.
- Make sure the flame is blue - a yellow flame may be a sign that the burner could be out of adjustment.
- Securely fasten the door that covers the pilot light and burner area.
- Do not store or use combustible materials or liquids near any gas appliance.
- Clean or replace your furnace filter and make sure the blower door is properly secured.
- Check ducts for leaks and have them properly insulated.
- Look for cracked or frayed blower belts.

The use of open fires indoors to stay warm and save money can be deadly because burning wood and charcoal also releases carbon monoxide. Please take note of the following heating safety tips:

- Never use barbecues or charcoal inside your home, even in the fireplace.
- Never heat your home with a kerosene heater, gas range or other unvented appliances.
- Don't burn treated or painted wood in your fireplace.
- Be sure to keep combustible materials such as bedding, clothing, draperies, rugs and furniture a safe distance from heating appliances. Remember to turn them off when you leave the room for an extended period.
- Damaged or poorly functioning natural gas equipment can not only waste money by leaking or burning gas inefficiently, but can also produce excess amounts of carbon monoxide if not adjusted properly.

Career Day

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department offers presentations on career firefighting and emergency medical services. If you would like to schedule a presentation or let us attend your function, please contact the Public Education Office at 205-678-6060. [More Info...](#)

For information about the Volunteer Firefighter Program or Explorer Program, please contact Captain Brad McCain at 205-678-6060 or by email Brad_McCain@Bellsouth.net.

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Child Safety Seat Installation and Information

Is your child's car seat installed correctly? It is estimated that more than 85% of all car seats are improperly installed.

We care about your children so please let us install your child safety seat. Please call for an appointment (appointments are needed to make sure we have a certified technician on duty for you.) [More Info ...](#)

For more information, please call Captain Brad McCain at 678-6060 or by email Brad_McCain@Bellsouth.net.

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: Call/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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[Ask a question \(Brad_McCain@bellsouth.net\)](mailto:Brad_McCain@bellsouth.net)

[Contact US \(Brad_McCain@bellsouth.net\)](mailto:Brad_McCain@bellsouth.net)

Additional Child Seat Information

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: www.nhtsa.dot.gov
(1.888.327.4236)

NHTSA's mission is to save lives, prevent injuries and reduce traffic related

health care and other economic costs. NHTSA offers a wide variety of motor vehicle and traffic safety information services and literature. Listed below are just a few of the topics they can help with:

- Motor Vehicle Safety Recalls
- Comprehensive Child Passenger Safety Information and Car Seat Recalls
- Consumer Information on Seat Belts, Air Bags, Anti-lock Brakes, Child Restraints, and many other topics
- Vehicle Crash Test Reports
- Vehicle Safety Ratings
- Traffic Safety Educational Materials
- and more...

SAFE KIDS Coalition: www.safekids.org or telephone: 650.724.1788

American Academy of Pediatrics: www.aap.org

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (English and Spanish):
www.chop.edu/carseat

Consumer Reports: www.consumerreports.org

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety: www.hwysafety.org

National Safety Council: www.nsc.org

Partners for Child Passenger Safety: www.chop.edu/carseat

Safety Belt Safe (in English and Spanish): www.carseat.org

Child Welfare and Abuse Prevention

It shouldn't hurt to be a child. The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department incorporates child welfare and abuse prevention into many of our community programs. If you would like literature on abuse prevention or need assistance finding the programs and services in your community, please contact our Public Education Office at 205-678-6060. [More Info.](#)

Additional helpful links:

American Academy of Pediatrics: www.aap.org

State of Alabama Child Abuse Prevention Board
www.alabamaadministrativecode.state.al.us/docs/chab/index.html - 1k -

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov>

Alabama Sex Offenders site, www.community.dps.state.al.us

Community Events

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department participates in community events promoting fire and life safety. Fire Department participation may include an apparatus demonstration, an interactive fire and life safety booth, fire education material, or the S.A.F.E. house at community events. If you would like to request us in your community event, please contact the Public Education Office 678-6060. [More Info...](#)

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Community Reading Program

Our firefighters encourage literacy by reading fire safety books to school aged kids. If you are interested in having us participate in your community reading program, please contact the Public Education Office 678-6060. [More Info ...](#)

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CPR and AED Training

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department offers CPR with AED Training. Classes may also be taken through American Heart Association. If you have additional questions or need help finding the class that is right for you, please call our Public Education Office at 205-678-6060. [More Info...](#)

Length: 1-4 Hours/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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CPR for Family and Friends with AED Training

This course is designed for everyone who wants to learn rescue skills that can be helpful when caring for loved ones. You will learn Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) for adults, infants and children as well as procedures for aiding choking victims. This course offers the same training as Heartsaver but does not include a written exam or certification card.

BLS Heartsaver with AED Training

Heartsaver is specifically designed for rescuers who are required to obtain a course certification card documenting completion of a CPR course. All rescuers are trained in CPR and relief of foreign body airway obstruction. You will need a passing score on a written and skills exam prior to receiving your 2 year certification card.

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Healthcare Provider

Comprehensive CPR and AED training for health care professionals. All rescuers are trained in CPR and relief of foreign body airway obstruction for adults and children. You

will need a passing score on a written and skills exam prior to receiving your 2 year certification card.

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Additional helpful links

American Heart Association: www.americanheart.org

American Red Cross: www.redcross.org

Disaster Preparedness Programs

If a disaster strikes, are you ready? The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department offers Community Emergency Response Team Training (C.E.R.T.) This is a comprehensive course on what to do for your family and neighbors during a natural or man-made disaster. For more information, please contact the Public Education Office 205-678-6060.

To learn more about a local disaster preparedness program: Federal Emergency Management Agency: <https://www.citizencorps.gov/cert/>

Length: 4 Weeks/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *****

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Fire Drills, Evacuation Planning and Reviews

If you need assistance developing or updating the evacuation plan for your business, health care facility, school or home, the Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department can supply you with helpful guidelines.

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department will provide a trained representative to observe evacuation drills and provide feedback for schools, businesses and health care facilities. To request an evacuation drill review, please contact our Public Education office at 678-6060. [More Info...](#)

Length: 30-45 minutes/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

[Ask a question T_King@bellsouth.net](mailto:T_King@bellsouth.net)

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Additional References;

Are You Ready? A Guide to Citizen Preparedness:

www.fema.gov/areyouready/

Includes facts on disaster survival techniques, disaster-specific information, and how to prepare for and respond to both natural and man-made disasters.

Avoiding Earthquake Damage: A Checklist for Homeowners

www.fema.gov/areyouready/earthquakes.shtm

Emergency Management Guide for Business & Industry

www.fema.gov/pdf/library/bizindst.pdf

Download a Step-By-Step Approach to Emergency Planning, Response and Recovery for Companies of All Sizes

Emergency Preparedness Checklist

www.fema.gov/pdf/library/epc.pdf

Burn Institute

www.burninstitute.org

Every family should plan and practice a fire escape plan with all members of the household. Use this on-line tool to design and print your family's Fire Escape Plan.

Additional helpful links

72 Hours, Are You Prepared?: <http://www.72hours.org>

American Red Cross: www.redcross.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): www.cdc.gov

Disaster Help: www.disasterhelp.gov

Environmental Protection Agency: www.epa.gov

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA): www.fema.gov

Home Safety Council: http://www.homesafetycouncil.org/resource_center

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA): www.nfpa.org

National Safety Council: www.nsc.org

US Department of Homeland Security: www.ready.gov

Fire Extinguishers

Do you know how to use a fire extinguisher? The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department provides fire extinguisher training for volunteer, non-profit organizations, businesses or companies. [More Info ...](#)

This program includes a live burn and extinguisher demonstration.

If you would like more information about fire extinguishers, please contact the Public Education Office at 678-6060.

Practice **PASS**:

PULL the pin

AIM the nozzle

SQUEEZE the handle

SWEEP the base of the flames

Warning: Do not attempt to use a fire extinguisher until you have already called 911

Fire extinguishers are for **small** fires. With any fire bigger than about the size of a wastebasket, you should be more concerned about evacuating and calling 911 than in trying to fight the fire.

Additional helpful links

Proper disposal of unwanted, unused or old fire extinguishers:

Please contact the Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department Public Education Office at 678-6060

Length: 1-2 Hours/Ages: 12/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Fire Truck Demonstrations

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department supports community events promoting fire and life safety. If you would like to see one of our fire trucks up close and personal and see what it is like to sit inside, have your group or organization contact us.

Length: custom to your needs/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Fire Station Tours

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department provides fire station tours for all ages, organization and groups. Each station tour includes:

Age appropriate fire & life safety skills

Demonstration of the special firefighting clothes (turnouts)

View the fire apparatus and equipment

Tour where fire fighters write reports, prepare their meals, exercise and rest

To schedule a fire station tour, contact the Public Education Office at 205-678-6060. If you are scheduling a fire station tour in conjunction with a special event, such as a birthday party, please be mindful that our fire department gladly provides fire station tours, but does not host special events in our fire stations.

Length: 1 hour/Ages: 5+/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Girl Scout Program-Brownies

This is great information for the entire family to learn, let us help you!

This program satisfies all the requirements of The Girl Scouts of America handbook. The classes are taught at the Fire Station in a professional environment with our firefighters. Brownies, ages 6-8, 1st-3rd grades, earn their Safety Sense Badge. [More Info](#) Prior to the class all Brownies should read pages 62-75 in the Brownie Girl Scout Handbook. We will cover:

1. Street Safety-Map your neighborhood where safe places are you can go.
2. Fire Safety Practice-Design a fire escape plan for your house with a backup plan.
3. Smoke Alarms-Learn how they work and test it. Learn what to do when you hear it.
4. Playground Safety-Talk about playground safety and make a poster illustrating the rules.
5. First Aid-Learn what to do when someone is choking.

6. Safety Center-Learn what info you need in an emergency and practice a call to 911.

Length: 2 Hours/Ages: 6-8/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Girl Scout Programs-Juniors

This is great information for the entire family to learn, let us help you!

This program satisfies all the requirement of The Girl Scouts of America handbook. The classes are taught at the Fire Station in a professional environment with our firefighters. The Juniors, ages 9-11, 4th-6th grades, earn their Safety First Badge. [More Info=](#)

Prior to class read the section on first aid in the Junior Girl Scout Handbook. We will cover:

1. First Aid Kit-Put together a first aid kit before we meet and we will add to it (see the list in your handbook).
2. What to do during an emergency-Stay calm, get help, call 911, Wear gloves, Do not move the patient, When an adult arrives tell them what first aid you have done and what happened.
3. Basic First Aid-Learn what to do for a variety of basic injuries, Choking, Drowning, Animal bites and other first aid skills.
4. Learn how to prevent accidents-put poisons in their place, fire safety, and fire safety rules.

Length: 2 Hours/Ages: 9-11/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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First Aid Badge-How to stay safe

Juniors

1. Complete the activities in your “How to Stay Safe” chapter of your handbook
2. Basic First Aid-cuts, sprains, fractures, etc
3. How to handle a nosebleed
4. How to make a 911 phone call-do’s and don’ts
5. What to do while help is on the way-shock, breathing or not, poisoned or choking.
6. Create a four-page booklet for younger kids to educate them on important telephone numbers, first aid, warning signs of an emergency. Use slogan to help get the message across.
7. Helping Hands-Identify types of emergencies for people who are: camp directors, policeman, firefighters, teachers, lifeguards, and EMT’s. What first aid training do their jobs require.
8. Stay Safe-Make a list of basic first aid supplies and create your own kit. What is different about a home first aid kit from a camping kit?
9. Survivor-List survival tips you need for hot and cold weather. Learn about hypothermia and hyperthermia and how to treat them.
10. First Aid Challenge-Come up with first aid situations, write them down, and place in a bag. Practice with each situation.

Length: 3 Hours/Ages: 9-11/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: *

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Girl Scout Programs-Cadette

This is great information for the entire family to learn, let us help you!

This program satisfies all the requirement of The Girl Scouts of America handbook. The classes are taught at the Fire Station in a professional environment with our firefighters. The CD, ages 11-14, 6th-9th grades, earn their Safety First Badge. [More Info=](#)

1. Put together your own first aid kit
2. Take a first aid and CPR class.

3. Make a poster that illustrates emergencies and first aid techniques.
4. Make a list of situations or places where young people might have to deal with personal safety. Then prepare personal safety tips.

Length: 4 Hours/Ages: 11-14/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Girl Scout Programs-Cadette Sr.

This is great information for the entire family to learn, let us help you!

This program satisfies all the requirement of *The Girl Scouts of America handbook*. The classes are taught at the Fire Station in a professional environment with our firefighters. The CD/SR, ages 11-17, 6th-11th grades, earn their Emergency Preparedness Badge.

[More Info=](#)

See the badge information

- Skill builders
- Technology
- Service Projects
- Career Exploration

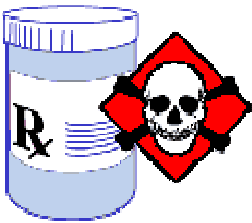
Let us know how we can help

Length: 4 Hours/Ages: 11-17/Prior Notice: 14 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Household Hazardous Materials

Do you know how to properly dispose of your household hazardous materials? The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department can send you information regarding hazardous waste disposal and refer you to the proper disposal site. If you would like to learn more about this program or have additional questions, please contact the Public Education Office 205-678-6060.

Medical disposal waste, from individual residence only, can be dropped off at any Chelsea Fire and Rescue Station.

Residential hazardous waste such as batteries of all types and sizes, oil, paint, chemicals, antifreeze, old gasoline, pesticides, fertilizers, thermometers and thermostats, fluorescent bulbs, tires, small drum and propane tanks, aerosol cans, household cleaners, and other misc item.

For additional information please contact the Public Education Office at 678-6060


Additional helpful links

Home Safety Council: http://www.homesafetycouncil.org/resource_center

National Fire Protection Association: www.nfpa.org/

Home Fire Safety Inspection Program

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department provides courtesy home fire safety inspections. Contact the Public Education Office at 205-678-6060 for more information. A Home Fire Safety Checklist to inspect your own home, and an Escape Plan Map grid to plan your

escape routes, can be downloaded from the  [Forms page](#). These cover a wide variety of topics including: developing a home escape plan, hazardous materials, heating equipment, smoke alarms and more. [More Info ...](#)

Additional helpful links

72 Hours, Are You Prepared?: <http://www.72hours.org>

Committee for Firesafe Dwellings: www.firesafedwellings.org

Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition: www.homefiresprinkler.org/hfsc.html

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA):

<http://www.nfpa.org/categoryList.asp?categoryID=244&URL=Research%20&%20Reports/Fact%20sheets>

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Hug-A-Bear Program

Emergencies can sometimes result in feelings of stress and confusion. This program is designed to provide comfort and support to children by providing stuffed animals at emergency scenes.



Stuffed animals such as these are donated to the department from individuals and civic organizations.

Keeping Kids Safe

Is your home kid-safe? This program is designed to educate parents and/or guardians with infants and small children on household fire and injury prevention. If you would like to schedule a class or have any questions, please contact the Public Education Office.

Program Topics include:

Introduction & Injury statistics

Child welfare and abuse prevention

Home fire safety

Reporting emergencies

Kitchen safety, burns & clothing fires

Motor vehicle safety

Poisoning prevention

Fall prevention

Bicycle & helmet safety

Water safety

Choking & suffocation prevention

CPR information

Length: 1Hour/Ages: 11-17/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Safety Games to Play On-line for Young Children

Chipper's Traffic Safety Game (Office of Traffic Safety):

www.ots.ca.gov/kids/k_games.html

Code Red Rover (Home Safety Council): www.coderedrover.org/index.html

FEMA for Kids: www.fema.gov/kids

Sparky the Fire Dog (NFPA): www.sparky.org/

Additional helpful links

American Academy of Pediatrics: www.aap.org

AAP is an organization of 60,000 pediatricians committed to the attainment of optimal physical, mental, and social health and well-being for all infants, children,

adolescents and young adults. Discover resources on children's health topics, immunization information, car safety seat information, books on parenting and more.

Alabama poison control center 1-800-462-0800-

Be Poison Safe! Find specific information on poisoning prevention tips, food poisoning, toxic household/outdoor plants, safety checklists, and more. By calling 1.800.462.0800, you can obtain emergency information on:

Swallowing poison

Eye or skin irritation from toxic substances

Inhalation of noxious fumes or vapors

Animal, insect, snake and spider bites

Food or mushroom poisoning

Drug reactions

Attempted suicides or drug overdoses

Pet poisoning exposures

Calls are handled quickly, accurately, and free-of-charge all over the state 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Alabama Department of Human Resources www.dhr.state.al.us/

Consumer Reports: www.consumerreports.org

Consumer Reports™ and ConsumerReports.org™ are published by Consumers Union, an expert, independent nonprofit organization whose mission is to work for a fair, just, and safe marketplace for all consumers and to empower consumers to protect themselves. To achieve this mission, they test, inform, and protect.

Home Safety Council: <http://www.homesafetycouncil.org>

The Home Safety Council (HSC) is solely dedicated to preventing home related injuries that result in nearly 20,000 deaths and 21 million medical visits on average each year. Through national programs, partnerships and the support of volunteers, HSC educates people of all ages to be safer in and around their homes.

Alabama Sex Offenders site, www.community.dps.state.al.us

List of Sex offenders near you and other related information

Megan's Law: www.meganslaw.ca.gov

California's Megan's Law provides the public with certain information on the whereabouts of sex offenders so that members of our local communities may protect themselves and their children. Find out how to protect yourself and your family, locate sex offender registration and search California's sex offenders database.

Safe Place Program

All the City of Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department stations are a Safe Place for your child or teen when they need help. We participate in the Safe Place Program. If they need help they can show up at any Station and we will see them safe until a Safe Place Program Representative can arrive. For more information contact our Public Education Office at 678-6060. Look for the Safe Place Sign at each location.

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Safe Place: www.nationalsafeplace.org

Family Connection Inc: www.familyconnection-inc.org

School Programs

Pre-School

Fire Department personnel with a fire engine will visit your pre-school and introduce students to age appropriate fire safety skills, provide a tour of the fire engine, and demonstrate how a firefighter looks dressed in full gear.

Length: 30 minutes/Ages:5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Additional helpful links; NFPA.org

National Safety Council: www.nsc.org

School Programs

Grade School

Fire Department personnel with a fire engine will visit your school and introduce students to age appropriate fire safety skills, provide a tour of the fire engine, and demonstrate how a firefighter looks dressed in full gear, introduces children to firefighters, the equipment firefighters use to help injured people and put out fires, as well as fire prevention and fire survival skills.

Additional helpful links

The Great Escape!: www.stayingalive.ca/game/game_play2.html
Interactive fire safety game.

Kid Zone: www.stayingalive.ca/kids_zone.html
A variety of fire safety games and activities for kids.

National Safety Council: www.nsc.org
Provides comprehensive injury prevention information and statistics

When clothes are on fire: Stop, Drop, and Roll!

Length: 30 minutes/Ages:5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Senior Citizens Information and Services

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department serves as a community resource for seniors. If you need assistance finding a service, we are here to help you find it! Please call our Public Education Office 205-678-6060 for more information.

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Fire & Life Safety Programs - Senior Citizen

This one-hour fire and injury prevention class provides information to older citizens about fire & fall prevention, 9-1-1, the Vial of Life, as well as provides referral information for a variety of social and human services that are available to use **Length: 1 Hour/Ages:5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: ****

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More Info....

National Safety Council: www.nsc.org

National Council on Aging www.ncoa.org

Helpful Safety Publications:

Fire Safety Checklist for Older Adults:

<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/publications/fa-221.pdf> [1.3mb]

Fire Safety Lasts a Lifetime: A Fact Sheet for Older Adults and their Caregivers:

<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/fswy21.pdf> [112kb]

Let's Retire Fire: A Fact Sheet for Older Americans:

<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/fswy4.pdf> [36kb]

Additional helpful links:

American Society on Aging (ASA): www.asaging.org

Offers educational services, publications, training resources, and a network of professionals in the field of aging.

Benefits Checkup: www.benefitscheckup.org

Helps seniors locate programs that will provide funding for prescription drugs, healthcare, utilities, and other essential items or services.

Catholic Charities: www.ccsj.org

Assists individuals and families in establishing housing, employment, education, and emotional health within Santa Clara County.

Council On Aging

Meals On Wheels:

Medicare: www.medicare.gov

Official US Government site for people with Medicare.

Smoke Alarm Program and Information

The Chelsea Fire and Rescue Department cares about your safety! Working smoke alarms increase your chances of surviving a fire by 50%.

Smoke alarms will be provided to residents on request and installed based on a physical need. For more information about this program, please contact the Public Education Office at 205-678-6060.

Length: 30 minutes/Ages:5+/Prior Notice: 30 days/Fees: no cost/Level of commitment: **

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Each year in the United States 3,000 people are killed in home fires

Working smoke alarms increase your chance of surviving a fire by 50%.

What do I do?

There are two things that you need to do:

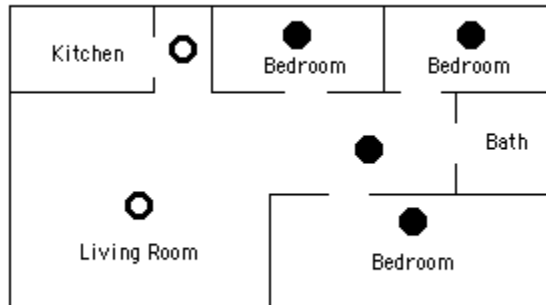
- 1. Purchase, install and maintain smoke alarms in your home.**
- 2. Develop and practice a home escape plan with your family.**

How Many and Where?

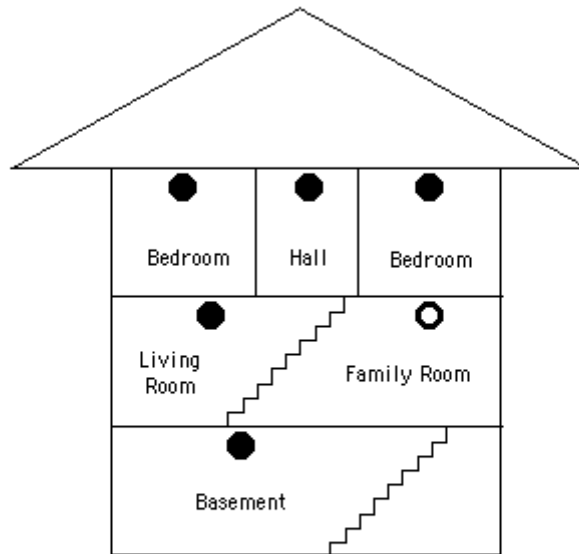
For minimum protection, install smoke alarms in each bedroom, outside each sleeping area, such as the hallway, and on every level of your home.

For maximum protection, install additional smoke alarms in each living area of your home.

Single Story Home



Two Story Home



- = Smoke Detectors for Minimum Protection
- + ○ = Smoke Detectors for Maximum Protection

Nuisance Alarms

If an alarm regularly responds to cooking smoke or shower steam, consider the following:

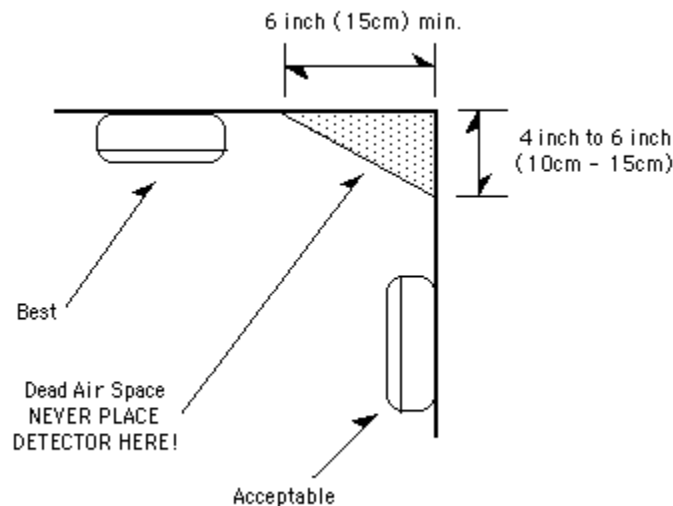
- **Replace the alarm with one that has the silence button feature.**
- **Move the alarm further away to give cooking smoke or steam a chance to dissipate before reaching the unit.**
- **If ceiling mounted, move unit to a wall.**

- If the unit is the ionization type, replace it with a photoelectric detector. This type of alarm is less sensitive to smaller particles and thus less affected by cooking smoke or small amounts of steam. Packaging and/or owner's manual will indicate type of alarm.

Installing Smoke Alarms

- Mount smoke alarms in the middle of the ceiling, if possible.
- For wall-mounted units, place them at least 3' (1 m) from any corner and 4-6" (10-15cm) from the ceiling.
- Do not install smoke alarms near heating or cooling ducts.
- In mobile home units, install smoke alarms on inside walls.

Smoke Alarm Placement



Maintenance

Test smoke alarms every month. For hard to reach units, use a broom handle or stick to press the test button. Replace batteries once a year. Use daylight savings time as your reminder. "Change your clocks... change your batteries." If the low-battery signal begins to chirp, replace battery immediately. Vacuum the outside covers periodically to remove dust, dirt particles and insects.

Escape Planning

- Develop an escape plan that includes two exits out of every room and a meeting place outside (e.g., mailbox or tree).
- Teach children how to operate window locks. Second story windows may need a chain ladder to enable a safe escape.
- Crawl low when exiting to avoid breathing in smoke and heat.

- **Practice your plan with all family members. Remember, those with special needs may require assistance.**



Safety Tips

Cooking is the leading cause of home fires and home fire injuries. Smoking is the leading cause of home fire deaths.

- **Sleep with bedroom doors closed.**
- **Purchase and use ashtrays that have the center support feature and never smoke in bed.**
- **Do not leave cooking, candles or space heaters unattended.**
- **Store matches and lighters out of the reach of children.**
- **Avoid overloading electrical circuits, inspect electrical cords and appliances for damage, and use extension cords with built-in circuit breakers.**

Be Safe...Replace!

Smoke alarms monitor the air 24 hours a day, every day. After 10 years, it's been on the job for over 87,000 hours.

For best protection, replace your smoke alarms every 10 years.

Failure Predictions:	
First year:	2 - 3%
Second to 10th year:	16 - 30%
More than 10 years old:	30 - 50%

Do you remember when you installed your smoke alarms or how old they were when you moved in?

If you are not sure, it is best to just replace them!

Additional helpful links:

For more information about smoke alarms and specialized smoke alarms for the blind and hearing impaired, including talking, strobe (up to 177 candela), vibrating and amplified (up to 90 dB) smoke alarm products:

BRK Brands: www.brkelectronics.com or 1.800.323.9005

First Alert: www.firstalert.com or 1.800.323.9005

Kidde: www.kiddeus.com or 1.800.880.6788