

Time to Change Smoke Detector Batteries

When you change your clock for daylight savings on Sunday, November 3, 2013, Edmonton Fire Rescue reminds residents to also take the time to change your smoke detector batteries.

This weekend Edmontonians are encouraged to clean, change the batteries, and test all smoke alarms in their home. Smoke alarms older than 10 years need to be replaced.

Research predicts that working smoke alarms could reduce annual fire deaths by as much as 32 per cent and save 69 lives across Canada each year. Last year 20 per cent of Edmonton home fires investigated had no smoke alarm present, had no power, or were disconnected.



The Alberta Fire Code requires all homes in the province to have working smoke alarms. Smoke alarms should be placed on every storey and outside all sleeping areas. They should be installed according to manufacturer's instructions.

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