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Install Smoke Alarms - They Could Save Your Life



- The Fire Service can provide advice on the number of smoke alarms you need and where they should be placed - they will also install them and replace flat batteries
- Buy smoke alarms that have one of the following symbols:



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- Test smoke alarms each month by pushing the test button to ensure they beep
- Gently dust and vacuum smoke alarms every month

Get Out Alive with a Home Escape Plan



- Work out an escape plan to suit your home - you need to know two ways of escaping from every room, if possible
- Allocate a safe outside meeting place
- Teach everyone to
 - close doors behind them
 - crawl low to escape smoke
 - get out of the house and stay out
 - dial 111 from a safe phone
- Remember, young children and older people need extra help
- Practise your escape plan every few months
- Check all your windows open easily for a fast escape
- If you need assistance to get out make sure you have some way of calling for help
- Talk to your neighbours to ensure support is available during emergencies

Smoke Alarms + Escape Plan = SURVIVAL

For further information
contact your nearest fire station or
Fire Service fire safety officer
www.fire.org.nz



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C'mon seniors get firewise



Hot tips to keep you **safe and warm**

Hot Tips!

Smoke Alarms

There are special smoke alarms available to assist those with hearing disabilities:

- Ultra loud sound
- Strobe light
- Vibrating pager or vibrating pad for under your pillow

Chimneys

- Sweep chimneys and flues at least once a year

Fire Checks

- Check all appliances are off before leaving the house
- Do a night fire check before going to bed



"C'mon guys, get firewise"
E hoa mā... kia mataara ki te ahii

Clever tips to becoming firewise



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Hot Tips!

Have your electric blankets checked annually by competent service people or a registered electrician



COOKING:
NEVER leave cooking unattended

Refer to
Hot Tips!



Don't clutter around your cooking area

Remember - keep keys in their deadlocks when you are at home - especially at night



Keep tea towels and cloths in the right place



Install smoke alarms they could save your life



Always turn off your electric blanket before getting into bed



Cooking

- Never leave cooking unattended
- Check the element indicator lights on your stove are working
- When cooking, wear close fitting sleeves

Sleep near an exit

- If you live in a multi storey building or have difficulty getting about, sleep on the ground floor

- Keep a telephone (a whistle or alert bracelet) and torch by the bed



Don't overload powerpoints - use multi boxes with circuit breakers instead



Ensure all electric appliances are in safe working order - replace frayed cords and broken plugs and keep appliances free of dust



Remember the heater metre rule - do not dry or store objects on top of your heating appliance

