



Smoke Alarm Safety

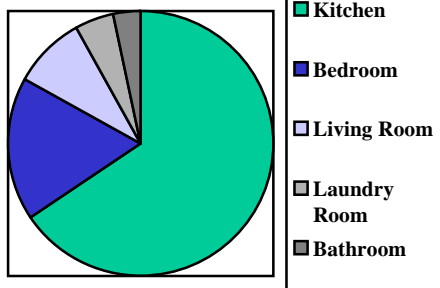


Fire is the third leading cause of accidental death in the home. The risk of dying in a fire is twice as high in a home without smoke alarms. Just because you can't see the fire doesn't mean you're still not in danger, small fires can create enough smoke to fill up your home with a deadly amount. Most fatal fires occur between the hours of 2-6AM, while most people are sleeping. The smell of smoke may not wake you and you could be breathing in noxious gas that will put you into a deeper sleep.

WHERE TO PUT THEM:

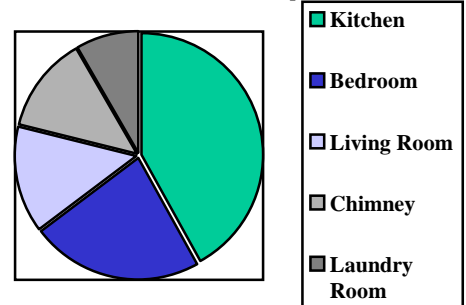
It is suggested that a smoke alarm be in every level of the home, however it is highly recommended they be in every room! Places to install alarms: *main hallways, *inside bedrooms (if not inside right outside of bedrooms doors), *top of stairways, *near kitchens, *bottom of basement stairwell (being able to hear the alarms before stairs are blocked by fire.)

Where fires start: Residential



Once a smoke alarm goes off you have on average **7** minutes to get out before smoke and fire overtake the home or structure.

Where fires start: Apartments



80% of all fire fatalities occur in the home.

Household Hazardous Waste: What it is... Where to take it... Who to call...

Household hazardous waste is "any hazardous waste generated in owning or maintaining a place of residence." The optimum solution is to minimize the generation of hazardous waste through the adoption of safer alternatives. Hazardous wastes discarded from homes may threaten human health or the environment when disposed of improperly. Many people don't realize it, but there are a lot of common household items that are considered hazardous. Including medications, paint, motor oil, antifreeze, auto batteries, lawn care products, pest control products, drain cleaners, pool care products (chlorine and acids), & household cleaners. Some household cleaners may be harmful separately or when combined, such as ammonia and bleach.

Collection Facilities **Will Accept:**

- Motor Oil, Oil Filters
- Auto & Household Batteries
- Outdated Medications
- Weed Killers, Cleaners, Gasoline, Antifreeze
- Auto & Furniture Polish, Chemical Drain Cleaners
- Pesticides & Fertilizers, Pool & Hobby Supplies
- Wood Preservatives, Paints & Paint Products, Paint Thinner
- Electronic Waste

(call 1-800-OILY-CAT for locations)

Collection Facilities **Will Not Accept:**

- Business Wastes,
- Wastes from Non-Profit Organizations,
- Radioactives,

- Explosives,
- Medical Waste or asbestos.

Collections available throughout San Bernardino County. Call **909.382.5401** or **1-800-OILY-CAT**

For the nearest location & disposal options. These services are FREE for San Bernardino County **residents only**. (identification required)

Non- San Bernardino County Residents can visit:

www.1800cleanup.org

Riverside County Residents call: 951.358.5055

Los Angeles County Residents call: 1.888.CleanLA(253.2652)



Drowning Prevention Month



A child can drown in the time it takes to answer a phone.

Children age 4 & under are at a higher risk of drowning than any other age group. **Almost 300 kids 4 & under drown each year in home swimming pools.** Of all toddlers who drown, 70 percent are in the care of one or both parents at the time of the drowning & 77 percent are missing from sight for five minutes or less. For every 1 child who drowns, 4 are hospitalized for near drowning. 46% of the victims were last seen in the house; 23% were last seen in the yard or porch/patio; & 31% were in or around the pool before the accident. In all, 69% of the children were not expected to be at or in the pool, yet they were found in the water.

A swimming pool is 14 times more likely than a motor vehicle to be involved in the death of a child age 4 and under.

Child drowning is a silent death. There's no splashing to alert anyone that the child is in trouble.

Poolside safety tips:



- *Adults only should be watching the kids undistracted-No cell phones, magazines, playing cards, etc.
- *Children of any age should **NEVER** be asked to watch another child (sibling, cousin, friend)
- *With young children **DO NOT** use air filled or foam toys (water wings, noodles, inner tubes) in place of life jackets.
- *Access to the pool or spa should be limited by locked gates, locked doors, windows that are self closing, self latching gates on any fences surrounding the pool.
- *Keep toys out of the pool and away from the pool area.
- *Latches on gates/windows/doors should be above the reach of children.
- *DO NOT ALLOW ANYONE TO SWIM ALONE.**

In 2004; 3,308 unintentional drowning occurred. Almost 9 people per day, (not including 676 fatalities) from other causes, boating accidents, etc.)

**DIAL 9-1-1 IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY
It could save your life or someone you love!**



9-1-1 is able to answer calls for the deaf & hearing impaired. 9-1-1 can also help if you do not speak English. What is 9-1-1? In the event of an emergency dialing 9-1-1 will connect you to a central communications center where they will assist you in sending out emergency responders, fire department, police officers, or an ambulance.

When to call 9-1-1:

- *if you smell smoke or see a fire
- *if there is any situation that is potentially dangerous & are unsure of who to call
- *if you witness or are the victim of a crime
- *if you witness or involved in a serious accident
- *if there is an emergency illness or suspected poisoning
- *if there is a child/senior citizen/handicapped person that is lost, confused, frightened, or needs special assistance.
- *if there is a serious injury, someone is unconscious, not breathing, bleeding, or having a bad reaction to a bite/sting





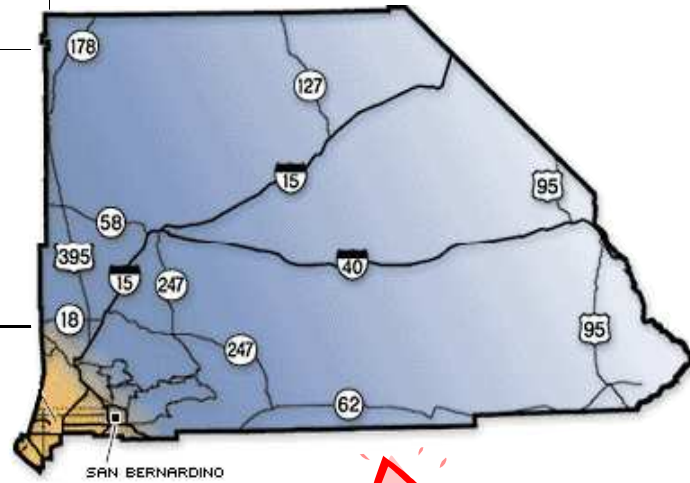
Fire and Life Safety Calendar

Community Risk Topics:

Proudly serving the Community's of:

- Adelanto
- Amboy
- Angelus Oaks
- Arrowhead
- Baker
- Baldy Mesa
- Barton Flats
- Big River
- Black Meadow Landing
- Bloomington
- Cedar Glen
- Chemehuevi
- Reservation
- Crest Park
- Deer Lodge Park
- Devore
- Earp
- El Mirage
- Fawnskin
- Fontana
- Forest Falls
- Grand Terrace
- Green Valley Lake
- Harvard
- Havasu Landing
- Helendale
- Hesperia
- Hinkley
- Homestead Valley
- Johnson Valley
- Joshua Tree
- Lake Arrowhead
- Landers
- Lucerne Valley
- Lytle Creek
- Mentone
- Mountain Home
- Village
- Mt. Baldy
- Mt. View Acres
- Muscoy
- Needles
- Oak Glen
- Oak Hills
- Oro Grande
- Park Moabi
- Parker Dam
- Phelan
- Pinon Hills
- Pioneer Town
- Red Mountain
- San Antonio Heights
- Searles Valley
- Sky Forest
- Spring Valley Lake
- Summit Valley
- Trona
- Windy Acres
- Wonder Valley
- Wrightwood
- Yucca Valley

January: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Escape Planning Residential Sprinkler Systems Slip and Fall 	February: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carbon Monoxide Safety Car seat & Vehicle Safety Burn & Scald Awareness Flammable Liquids
March: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poison Prevention Fire safe landscaping & roofing Residential addressing Weed abatement 	April: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoke Alarm Checks Household Hazardous Waste Evacuations for businesses & Schools Asbestos Week
May: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drowning Prevention Wild land Fire Safety Emergency 9-1-1 	June: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Hazards Juvenile Fire setters Fireworks First Aid/CPR Water Conservation
July: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vacation & Camping Safety Boating Safety Chocking & Strangulation Awareness Severe summer weather Hotel & Motel Safety 	August: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bicycle Safety Vehicle Fires Emergency right-of-way
September: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earthquake & Disaster Preparedness Kitchen Safety Fire Extinguishers Floods Hunt for home hazards Disabilities 	October: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Prevention Change clocks & batteries Halloween Safety
November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fireplace & Wood Stove Safety Kerosene & portable heaters Severe winter weather 	December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holiday Safety Firearms Safety Security Bars on windows Candle Safety



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Free Brochures Available to the Public!

Topic's include: (also available in Spanish)

- *9-1-1 *Bicycle Safety *Camping Safety *Firesetter
- *Business and School Evacuation *Car Seat Safety
- *Carbon Monoxide *Drowning Prevention *First Aid
- *Earthquake & Disaster Preparedness *Cool A Burn
- *Fire Extinguishers *Firefighter career *Security Bars
- *Home Hazards *Home escape plan *House Numbers
- *Wildfire *Smoke Alarms *People w Disabilities

