

Prevention Quick Drills

POCKET TOOLS TRAINING

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Fire Prevention Daily
Quick Drills - Easy
Access to Training

References:

NFPA Smoke Alarm
Safety at Home, used
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And Don't Forget ...

All smoke alarms
should be tested at
least once a month
using the test button.

For People who are Deaf or Hard Of Hearing

What is your plan for protecting those that are deaf or hard of hearing in your response district?

There are a lot of smoke alarm options for people with a hearing disability. However, the fire service often overlooks these alarms when ordering smoke detectors.

The alarms that are available often use strobe lights and vibration notification. The vibration systems can be inserted into pillows or beds to alert the individual during nighttime hours. This equipment is activated by the sound of a standard smoke alarm.

In addition, for the hard of hearing, there are smoke alarms that emit a loud mixed, low pitch sound. These devices have been proven to work better for the elderly.

It is essential that a recognized testing laboratory approve all devices. This is needed for both the protection of the individual and for fire department liability concerns.

Below is a list of websites where these devices can be found:

<http://www.assistech.com/smoke-detectors/index.htm>

<http://www.lssproducts.com/category/alerting-devices>

<http://lifetonesafety.com/>

For additional reading:

<http://www.usfa.fema.gov/citizens/disability/fswy19.shtm>

<http://www.nfpa.org/assets/files//PDF/Public%20Education/SmokeAlarmsDisabilitySafetyTips.pdf>



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