

CARBON MONOXIDE (CO) ALARMS



THINK ABOUT FIRE BEFORE IT STARTS

Carbon monoxide alarms save lives

A WORKING CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM CAN DETECT CARBON MONOXIDE IN YOUR HOME AND WILL WARN YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

Over 65% of all carbon monoxide deaths and injuries in Ontario occur in homes.

Known as the "silent killer", CO is a poisonous gas that you cannot see, smell, or taste.

*Statistics for Ontario provided by the Office of the Fire Marshal & Emergency Management.







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The below fuel-burning appliances can produce CO in your home:

- Fireplace
- Gas dryer
- Furnace
- Stove
- · Water heater
- · Portable fuel heater

DID YOU KNOW?



CO alarms are not a substitute for smoke alarms

PROTECT YOUR FAMILY.

- Exposure to CO can cause flu-like symptoms.
- Ensure all fuel-burning appliances and vents are inspected annually.
- Install CO alarms on every floor of the home if it has a fuel-burning appliance, fireplace, or attached garage.
- Test CO alarms monthly and change batteries at least once a year.
- If your CO alarm sounds, get out immediately and seek medical help to check for CO poisoning.



