



Safety Information Page

Install, Maintain & Test Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms in Camping Trailers

Smoke & CO Alarm Facts

- Test alarms once a month and change the batteries every year.
- Never remove the batteries from alarms.
- If nuisance smoke alarms are a problem, try moving the alarm to another location or purchase an alarm with a hush feature that temporarily silences the alarm.
- Alarms don't last forever. Replace alarms if they are more than ten years old or according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Your CO alarm sounds different than your smoke alarm. Make sure everyone knows the difference between the two alarm sounds.
- Know the difference between the alarms' low-battery warning, end of life warning and an emergency alarm – consult the manufacturer's instructions.
- Make sure everyone knows what to do if the smoke alarm sounds.
- Develop a fire escape plan and practice it.

What to do if the CO Alarm Sounds:

- Exposure to CO can cause flu-like symptoms such as headaches, nausea and dizziness, as well as confusion, drowsiness, loss of consciousness and death.
- If your CO alarm sounds, and you or other occupants suffer from symptoms of CO poisoning, get everyone out of the home/camping trailer immediately. Then call 9-1-1 or your local emergency services number from outside the structure.
- If your CO alarm sounds, and no one is suffering from symptoms of CO poisoning, check to see if the battery needs replacing, or the alarm has reached its "end-of-life" before calling 9-1-1.

For fire safety information contact the Cavan Monaghan Fire Department
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Safety Guidelines for Camp Fires



- Burn size: 46cm x 46cm (18" x 18"), **no open fire pits**
- Burn receptacle: chimineas or enclosed/completely screened in containers permitted (violation of this rule will result in charges laid).
- Burn materials: wood products ONLY no garbage, plastics, rubber or shingles
- Extinguishing tools: garden hose, buckets of water, fire extinguisher (ABC 5lb min), shovels & brooms
- Never leave unattended: a responsible adult shall supervise at all times
- Weather: always be aware of weather conditions, especially changes in wind speed & direction
- Never leave children unattended near a campfire.
- Extinguish fire before leaving the site. Let the fire burn down and soak the fire with water. Stir the ashes and soak again until extinguished. Test the campfire for any heat before leaving the site.
- Neighbors: Always be courteous to neighbours concerns



Trailer Safety

Propane & Appliance

Inspect hoses and fittings for cracked or frayed hoses, rusted or corroded fittings, broken connectors and brackets, or damaged o-rings and seals.

Propane Tanks

Check for excessive rust & corrosion and age of tank (any tanks over 10 years old requires testing). If you have a 20 pound propane cylinder with a valve that is green in colour, do not use the cylinder and return it to the supplier.

Fuel Powered Heaters or Burners

Never use inside a trailer without providing proper ventilation and a working carbon monoxide alarm. Always turn off when finished. Never operate near combustibles.

Furnace, Water Heaters & Fridges

Inspect outlets for obstructions eg; cob webs, mouse nests. Inspect and clean burner ports of rust, dust, dirt, spider webs or other debris. Inspect and clean exterior access areas and wiring for damage.

Cooking/ Barbequing

Keep stove cook top clear, clean hood filters and vents, service all gas or propane fired appliances regularly. BBQ outside only, igniting with the lid open. Use long handled tongs and brushes and wear fitted clothing – flame can ignite loose clothing; use a heavy apron and oven mitts that fit high up over your forearm.

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