

Public Service Announcement

Fire Prevention Week 2016 – Do your bedrooms have smoke alarms?

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Fire Prevention Week is from October 9 to 15, 2016. This year's theme is "Don't Wait – Check the Date!"

Smoke alarms can help save your life in an emergency, but only if they're working. The Office of the Fire Marshal would like to remind Nunavummiut of the following home fire safety tips:

- Ensure every bedroom in your home has a smoke alarm installed.
- Replace your smoke alarm if it is more than 10 years old to find out how old your smoke alarms are, check the date of manufacture on the back of the alarm.
- Test all smoke alarms in your home monthly.
- Replace batteries when needed.
- Never turn off or cover smoke alarms.
- Talk to your family about your home fire escape plan so you know what to do, where to go, and what number to call to reach emergency responders in the event of a fire.

Students from kindergarten to Grade 9 are also invited to take part in the annual Fire Prevention Week colouring, poster design and essay contest. Please contact your school for more information about how to enter.

Being prepared can save your life. During Fire Prevention Week, talk to your family and children about fire safety at home and in your community.

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