

BE PROACTIVE, SAVE LIVES

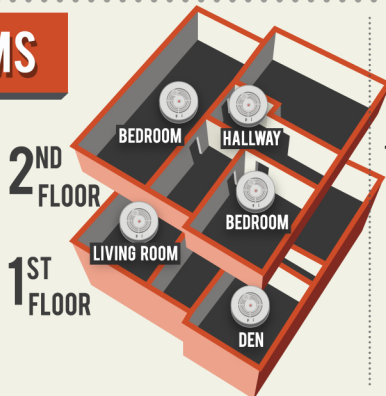
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: OCTOBER 5-11, 2014

As a proud supporter of the National Fire Protection Association's "Fire Prevention Week" initiative, the Electrical Safety Foundation International wants to help you prevent tragedy and remind you how to keep your home safe. Remember, working smoke alarms save lives – test yours every month!

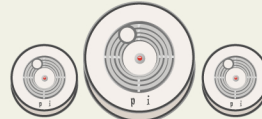
SMOKE ALARMS



Have at least one on every floor of your house, outside of each sleeping area, and in every bedroom.



TEST **MONTHLY** REPLACE **YEARLY**



REPLACE EVERY **10 YEARS**



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fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or the alarms are not working.



ARC FAULT CIRCUIT INTERRUPTER (AFCI)



ARC FAULTS

Arc faults are usually unseen as they can occur anywhere in the home & are one of the major causes of electrical wiring fires.



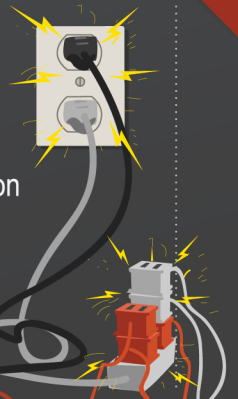
AFCIs

AFCIs are advanced devices that detect arc faults and shut down the power to the affected area reducing the chance of an electrical fire.

EXTENSION CORDS

3,300

residential fires originate from extension cords each year. Extension cords should only be used as a temporary solution. Never overload an outlet or extension cord.



COUNTERFEITS

Counterfeit electrical goods are usually made of inferior materials, are not tested by independent safety laboratories, and have greater risk of starting fires.



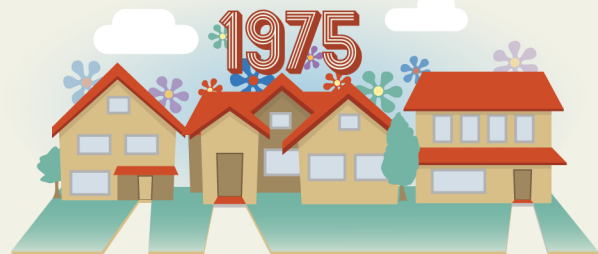
Never buy electrical products that don't bear the mark of a nationally-recognized testing laboratory such as UL, CSA, or ETL.



INSPECTIONS

The average home was built the mid-1970s, which means the National Electrical Code has been updated 13 times to include safer electrical standards since it was built!

Have a qualified electrician inspect your home to ensure you have all the systems in place to keep your home safe.



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