

**CHANGE YOUR CLOCK,**

**CHANGE YOUR SMOKE ALARM  
BATTERY!**



*Is your smoke alarm still working? A smoke alarm with a dead or missing battery is the same as having no smoke alarm at all. A smoke alarm only works when it is properly installed and maintained.*

*General Guidelines for Smoke Alarm Maintenance:*

*Smoke alarm powered by a 9-volt battery*

- Test the alarm monthly*
- Replace the batteries when you change your clock*
- The entire smoke alarm unit should be replaced every 8-10 years*

*Smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium (or “long life”) battery*

- Test the alarm monthly*

- *Since you cannot (and should not) replace the lithium battery, the entire smoke alarm unit should be replaced according to manufacturer's instructions.*

*Smoke alarm that is hardwired into the home's electrical system*

- *Test the alarm monthly*
- *The backup battery should be replaced when you change your clock*
- *The entire smoke alarm unit should be replaced every 8-10 years*