

# SMOKE & CARBON MONOXIDE

## Guidance notes for smoke and carbon monoxide alarms

### Regular Testing

All smoke and carbon monoxide detectors fitted within your property should be tested weekly for correct operation, and batteries should be replaced as soon as it becomes necessary (unless the unit has a long-life sealed battery, in which case the batteries are non-replaceable and the entire unit will need to be replaced).

### Detectors Save Lives

You should have at least two smoke detectors fitted in your property, with at least one on each floor; and at least one carbon monoxide detector (with additional carbon monoxide detectors in each room with a solid fuel appliance – Note: Gas is not a “solid” fuel.)

See [here](#) for government guidance on the new regulations which came into force on 1 October 2015.

### If you think you might be suffering from Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

People suffering from carbon monoxide poisoning should get fresh air immediately, open doors and windows, turn off gas appliances or extinguish other sources, leave the house and see a doctor.

