Smoke Alarm Check, Nov. 1, 2026

Test, replace, place and plan: one sheet for every alarm in your home

TEST

- [ ] Press the test button — Each bedroom
- [ ] Outside each sleeping area: press the test button — Hallway
- [ ] Press the test button on every level — Each level
- [ ] Press the test button — Basement

REPLACE

- [ ] Check the date on the back — Back of alarm
- [ ] Replace 9-volt battery — 9-volt
- [ ] Hardwired: replace backup battery — Hardwired
- [ ] Replace the whole alarm every 10 years — 10 years

PLACE

- [ ] An alarm in every sleeping room — Bedrooms
- [ ] An alarm on every level, including the basement — Levels
- [ ] Interconnected: when one sounds, all sound — Linked

PLAN

- [ ] Mark next check: Sun., March 14, 2027 — Spring 2027
- [ ] Mark next check: Sun., Nov. 7, 2027 — Fall 2027

Alarm locations and dates made

Source: U.S. Fire Administration (USFA), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Smoke alarms. Test monthly; replace the entire alarm every 10 years. Clock-change dates: Nov. 1, 2026; March 14 and Nov. 7, 2027.