



Working [smoke alarms](#) in the home provide life-saving potential from fire. That's a fact we all know well, and it's one that's been strongly promoted over the years.

But how often do we educate the public about *where* smoke alarms should be located in the home? More pointedly, how often are we promoting the importance of having a working smoke alarm in each bedroom?

In a recent poll more than 80% of the public weren't aware of the smoke alarm requirements. According to NFPA 72, [National Fire Alarm Code®](#), requires a smoke alarm in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.

In Muskegon County alone we have had 6 fire deaths in the last 6 months. The Muskegon County Fire Chief's including your Egelston Township Fire Department. We are promoting smoke alarms. Fire Departments across the county have participated in this program. We at Egelston have installed over 60 alarms in 11 homes in the township. We encourage you to contact our department if you're in need of alarms in your home. If you contact us at 231-788-2254 we will put you on our list to install alarms in your home according to the NFPA 72 requirements.

For more information or to schedule an installation please contact any on duty staff at 231-788-2254.

Thank you

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