

November Fire & Life Safety Education Resources:

Smoke & CO Alarms – “Change your clocks, change your batteries is still a VERY relevant educational message! This year, we “fall back” at 2am on Sunday, November 1st. Many people have not yet made the switch to hardwired or sealed 10-year battery powered alarms. Therefore, it is extremely important to tailor our messages to meet the needs of as many of our customers as possible. This might include discussing changing batteries in alarms, as well as providing information on when they should replace alarms to include the updated technology. It is also important to emphasize to our customers that HAVE installed the newer alarms that sensor lifespans may differ in combination alarms (i.e. CO sensor may require replacement prior to smoke sensor replacement in combo alarms). Customers should reference manufacturer’s instructions for their specific device for guidance.

<http://www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/publications/documents/fire-prevention/Smokealarms.pdf>
<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Staying-safe/Safety-equipment/Smoke-alarms>
<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Staying-safe/Safety-equipment/Carbon-monoxide>

Cooking/ Thanksgiving – There are some holidays rapidly approaching for which people may be spending increased time cooking. With the increased frequency of cooking, comes the increased possibility of culinary disasters. Be sure to keep your customers informed about ways to keep themselves and their loved ones safe from cooking fires in the coming months!

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Seasonal-fire-causes/Thanksgiving>

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/media/social_toolkits/toolkit_holiday.htm

! - There are some great social media cards on this link for turkey fryers...in multiple languages!!!

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/media/social_toolkits/toolkit_cooking.html

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=turkey+fryer+safety – There are quite a few videos available online discussing safe use of a turkey fryer. Take your pick!

Heating/ Candles/ Winter

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Seasonal-fire-causes/Put-A-Freeze-on-Winter-Fires>

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Top-fire-causes/Heating> - Link contains a video that presents the information in American sign language.

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Top-fire-causes/Candles>

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/media/social_toolkits/toolkit_heating.html

https://www.usfa.fema.gov/prevention/outreach/media/social_toolkits/toolkit_severe_weather.html - Link contains a great short video that addresses multiple cold weather fire safety hazards.

<http://www.dhses.ny.gov/ofpc/publications/documents/fire-prevention/Homeheating.pdf>

Lesson Plans – Here are some links to a few lesson plans for a short presentation, whether it be in person or in an online video (we've got to consider online interaction more than ever now!).

<https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/Resources/Lesson-plans/MiniLessonReplaceSmokeAlarms.ashx>

<https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/Resources/Lesson-plans/MiniLessonBeepWhereYouSleep10.ashx?as=1&iar=1&hash=A4A4FC032BCE896ACD6E2CE51EE564DB>

<https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/Resources/Lesson-plans/MiniLessonGetToKnowSmokeAlarms.ashx>

<https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/Resources/Lesson-plans/MiniLessonCOPoisoning.ashx>