

I SHOULD
~~PROBABLY~~
CHECK MY
SMOKE ALARM.



Smoke alarms need to be replaced **EVERY 10 YEARS!**
Maryland's new Smoke Alarm Law can help save lives.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

- 1. Maryland's new Smoke Alarm Law** requires the replacement of BATTERY-ONLY smoke alarms with new alarms powered by sealed-in, 10-year long-life batteries **by January 1, 2018.**

Visit www.mcfrs.org/mcsafe for more information.

- 2. Smoke alarms have expiration dates.** Both hard-wired and battery-operated smoke alarms need to be replaced with new ones every 10 years from the date of manufacture (printed on the back of all smoke alarms). If your smoke alarms have not been replaced since 2007, it's time!
- 3. Smoke alarm requirements vary** based on when your house was built. It is NEVER acceptable to remove required hard-wired smoke alarms and replace them with any type of battery operated device. Code requirements can be found on our website.
- 4. Have questions? Need a hand?
We're here to help!**
Call **311** or visit us at www.mcfrs.org/mcsafe



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