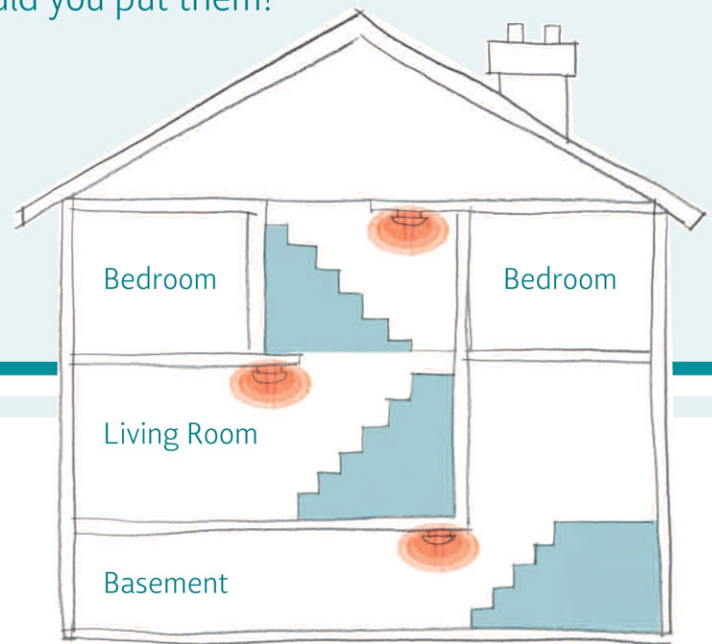


# Smoke ALARMS

## They can save your life!

WHO should have them? EVERYONE and EVERY HOME

WHERE should you put them?



### Put the fire alarms on the ceiling

1. At the bottom of any stairs, including the basement.
2. On the ceiling outside the bedrooms or sleeping areas.
3. See directions that come with the smoke alarm.

### Keep smoke alarms working:

- Be sure that you test them once a month by pressing the test button.
- Replace the batteries at least once a year, unless they are long life lithium batteries which should last 8–10 years.



**Never** take out the battery to use someplace else. The alarm won't work if you do.

**Never** disconnect the alarm.

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