

# **FIRE MARSHAL BOB'S FIRE SAFETY TIPS**



**Carbon monoxide (CO) is a byproduct of combustion. It is odorless and colorless. If you have a gas-fueled appliance, you have the potential for CO in your home.**

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**Where should  
my CO  
detector be?**

- **CO detectors should be located in or near bedrooms. If there are elevated levels of CO, you need to be alerted where you sleep.**
  - **Symptoms of CO poisoning could be unexplained sudden nausea, unexplained sudden vomiting, or sudden sleepiness without reason.**
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**What can I do?**

- **Check your detector's age. The back of every CO detector has a MFG date. If this date is over 7 years old, the detector should be replaced.**
  - **Change the batteries. Be sure your detector has fresh batteries.**
  - **When installing a CO detector in your home, check the back of the unit to learn what the different beeps mean.**
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**What if I hear  
the alarm?**

- **If the CO detector alarms, you should immediately move to fresh air and call 911.**
- **Do not open windows or leave doors open. It is easier for us to identify the source if the home is not aired out.**