

RESIDENTIAL FIRE SPRINKLERS

“DID YOU KNOW: More people are killed by fires each year than all natural disasters combined.”

Nearly 4,000 people died in fires each year and 82% of those are in their own homes.

Myth:

- Older homes are exclusive to fire problems.

Fact:

- Human behavior is the leading cause of fires in both new and old houses.
 - cooking (attended and unattended)
 - heating fires (space heaters)
 - careless smoking
 - children playing with matches or lighters
- Electrical fires only account for 10% or less of structural fires within homes.
- Home fire sprinklers reduce the risk of home fire deaths and decrease fire damage to the home by two-thirds compared to a home without sprinklers.
- Having home fire sprinklers can give you a discount with your home insurance.
- Most fire sprinklers can control the fire or even extinguish it before the fire department arrives.
- Home fire sprinklers give you better protection to your home and your family.’
- For more information on Home Fire Sprinklers go to: www.homefiresprinkler.org



“Sprinklers activate independently; only the closest sprinkler to the fire activates.”

“Smoke alarms ONLY detect a fire. Fire sprinklers detect and automatically control the fire, saving lives and property.”



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