HOW TO PROPERLY TEST YOUR SMOKE DETECTOR (ALARM)

Chief Stacks, ESD9 Fire Chief, reminded all of us to make sure we change the batteries on our smoke detectors every 6 months and to test each device after inserting the new battery.

Most of us think we just need to push the button and if the alarm sounds – it is tested and working properly. We learned from Chief Stacks that this is not the case.

To properly test your smoke detectors, you need a can of SMOKE specifically manufactured for functional testing of smoke detectors. Cans of SMOKE are available at most big box stores or your local hardware store.

Please read all the directions before use.