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## Turning clocks means checking smoke detectors

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ALBANY, N.Y. -- Firefighters say when you change your clocks; it's also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. They also say to test the detector after the batteries have been changed. It's especially important to make sure they're working during the colder months as furnaces, fireplaces and wood stoves are used more frequently.

"The National Fire Protection Agency has determined that nearly two thirds of home fires that result in deaths have no smoke detector or one that isn't working in the home so it's important to keep the batteries changed and up to date," said David Quinn, Firefighters Association of New York.

Quinn also says when you install a new smoke detector on the wall, it should be four inches from the ceiling, or if you install it on the ceiling it should be four inches from the wall.

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