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Other Information

For child car seat inspection appointments, contact Sgt. Chris Zepke at

586-286-0027

For information on Fire Safety, Free Smoke Detectors or Fire Inspections, contact a Fire Inspector at:

586-949-2138

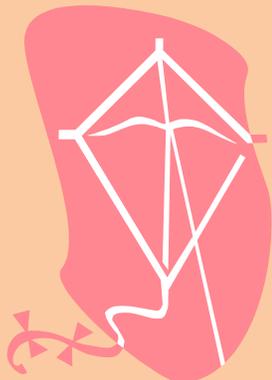
Or

fireprevention@macomb-mi.gov

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HOME FIRE SPRINKLERS SAVE LIVES!

Home Fire Sprinklers

If you are remodeling your home, or are building a new home, you should consider installing a fire sprinkler system in your home.

According to the NFPA, more than 2,500 people are killed in home fires every year. If a fire occurs, the risk of dying decreases by 80% if a

sprinkler system is installed in the home.

According to a 2013 study, the cost of a sprinkler system installed in a new home is only about \$1.35 per square foot of home space. This means for an 1800 sq. foot home, the cost would only be about \$2,430. The cost could be quickly made

up in insurance savings.

Many people are concerned that a system could be accidentally activated, but sprinklers are only activated at very high temperatures. Smoke, such as that from burned food or cigars will NOT activate the system. Fire sprinklers often extinguish the fire even before the fire department arrives.

Put sprinklers in YOUR home!

Home fires usually occur at night, when occupants are asleep. Fire sprinklers don't sleep. They are always ready to extinguish a fire 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Having a fire sprinkler system in your home is like having a firefighter in your house 24/7.

Most people think that when a fire sprinkler system is activated, all the sprinklers spray water. This is not true! Only the sprinkler head near the fire is activated. In fact, over 90% of fires are controlled by 1 sprinkler head!

Some people are discouraged by the "look" of fire sprinklers in the home. New home sprinkler systems are not only small, but they can be hidden inside ceilings or walls, and the plates that hide them can be matched to the paint in the room.



For fire prevention

questions, smoke

detectors, or to

schedule a Fire

Station tour for your

group, contact a Fire

Inspector at:

[fireprevention](#)

[@macomb-](#)

[mi.gov](#).

Or, call us at

(M-F 8a.m-4:30p.m)

586-949-2138

(All other times)

586-286-0027

Golf and Severe Weather

April kicks off golf season, and we are lucky to have many beautiful golf courses in Macomb Township.

When you hit the links this year, keep a few things in mind while you are out on the course:

1. Check the weather forecast before you go out.
2. If you hear thunder, even if the sun is shining, lightning is close enough to strike you.
3. When in doubt, head for the clubhouse.

Remember, USGA Rule 6-8A states you can discontinue play anytime you are in danger from lightning!

Fire Safety out on the town:

The Macomb Township Fire Prevention Division is constantly visiting business properties throughout the Township to ensure that the public, employees and surrounding businesses are kept safe from fire

hazards.

When you are out, make sure that you know your way to the nearest exit. If an alarm sounds in a building, or something seems wrong, calmly and orderly make your way to the nearest

exit while alerting those around you.

If you see an issue at any building that you think is unsafe, please call us at 586-949-2138 to report a violation. Your call can be anonymous if you wish.

Additional Information

Interested in home sprinklers? Find out more information [HERE](#).

Watch the Macomb Fire Department's residential sprinkler demonstration video on "Spotlight Macomb" [HERE](#).

Macomb Township FD Fire Prevention Division offers free smoke detectors to residents. Call 586-949-2138 or [EMAIL US](#)