

Know the Dangers of Smoke

Did you know smoke is poisonous? It kills more people in home fires than flames.



Today, our homes are filled with human-made materials like plastic and compressed particle board.

These products burn quicker and give you less time to escape.

An illustration of a white CO detector with a 'TEST' button and a speaker icon. To its left is a red skull and crossbones icon with 'CO' written below it. Below the detector are several wavy lines representing smoke. The text 'Carbon Monoxide (CO)' is written in blue to the right of the wavy lines.

Carbon Monoxide (CO)

The most common poison in smoke is carbon monoxide (CO).

CO can make you feel drowsy, and difficult to wake up and get out of your home.



Smoke is hot!

It can irritate your eyes and throat, and make it difficult for you to breathe.

This happens even if you are far from the fire.



Thick black smoke can fill your home in a few minutes and make the inside completely dark.

It can travel through hallways, doors, ductwork, and cracks and openings in a building's walls and floors.

If you see smoke, don't wait! Get out right away!