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Fire Prevention Week – October 4 to 10, 2015 “Hear the Beep Where you Sleep!”

Welland, ON – Fire Prevention Week is October 4 to 10, 2015. Welland Fire and Emergency Services encourages everyone to “*HEAR THE BEEP WHERE YOU SLEEP,*” by installing a working smoke alarm in every bedroom.

Many fatal fires occur at night when everyone is asleep, so early warning is crucial to survival. The Ontario Fire Code requires working smoke alarms on every storey of the home, and outside all sleeping areas. For added protection, Welland Fire and Emergency Services recommends that smoke alarms be installed in every bedroom.

Interconnected smoke alarms provide the best protection. The alarm closest to the fire senses the smoke, triggering all smoke alarms throughout the home. For easy installation, wireless interconnected smoke alarms are now available.

Smoke alarms must be replaced within the time frame stated by the manufacturer, which is typically every ten years. When replacing interconnected smoke alarms, it is advisable to replace all units in the system. Also, if a single malfunctioning alarm needs to be replaced, make sure the new alarm is compatible with the other existing units.

For more information about smoke alarms, visit www.welland or (OFMEM website at www.ontario.ca/firemarshal).

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