Life Expectancy FOR Life Safety

All good things must come to an end, and when it comes to life and fire safety items there is no exception. While the goal is to never need one of these devices, if your property does, the device needs to work properly. Maintain and replace according to manufacturers instructions to protect your property, residents, and peace of mind.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

Monthly - Quick external check by property staff to make sure pressure gauge is in operable range (green area) and record on tag (no cost).

Yearly - External examination and annual certification by a certified person (minimal cost).

6 Years - Hydrostatic test, internal examination and annual certification by a certified person (approximately half the cost of new extinguisher).

12 Years - Extinguisher has reached the end of its life expectancy and should be discarded and replaced (cost of new extinguisher).

12 **YEARS**

SMOKE ALARM

Monthly - Press test button to make sure loud beep sounds (no cost). If no beep, replace battery or detector as applicable.

Semi-Annual - Replace battery if using 9V alkaline battery as power source or backup battery (minimal cost).

10 Years - Smoke Alarm has reached the end of its life expectancy and should be discarded and replaced (cost of new alarm).

YEARS



CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM

Monthly - Press test button to make sure loud beep sounds (no cost). If no beep, replace battery or alarm as applicable.

Semi-Annual - Replace battery if using 9V alkaline battery as power source or backup battery (minimal cost).

10 Years - Alarm has reached the end of its life expectancy and should be discarded and replaced (cost of new alarm).

YEARS

EMERGENCY LIGHTING

Monthly - Ensure sign is clean and legible. Press test button to make sure lamp comes on (no cost). If no light, replace battery or fixture as applicable.

2 to 5 Years - The type of light has a direct impact on battery lifespan. Once battery cannot maintain 90 minuté charge, it should be discarded and replaced (cost of new battery or fixture).

YEARS

FIRE SPRINKER HEADS

Monthly - Visual check to ensure sprinklers are in good condition, not blocked from a nearby object or paint splatter, or have any objects hanging from them (no cost).

10/20/50/75 Years - Environment and sprinkler type determines when testing is required. Consult national/local codes for information.

VARIES



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