

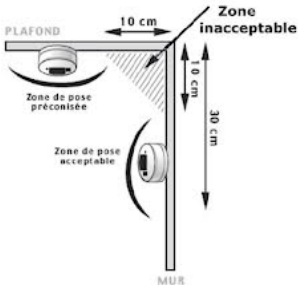
SELF INSPECTIONS OF HOMES

The fire safety cover plan of the Pontiac MRC, which was adopted by the Municipality, requires that all buildings be inspected to verify that the smoke alarms of the building(s) are:

- ✓ Installed in the proper location (there must be one alarm per floor);
- ✓ In working order;
- ✓ Not expired (a smoke alarm has an expiry date of 10 years after its date of manufacture).

We ask that you either; **phone the municipality to make an appointment (if you are within the village) or fill out the information contained in this document and return the document to the municipality (if you are outside the village)** in person or by mailing it to the following address:

Municipality of L’Ile-du-Grand-Calumet
Attention: **Fire chief**
140 Chemin des Outaouais
Ile-Du-Grand-Calumet (Qc), J0X 1J0
Phone: 819-648-5965



1. Do you have a smoke alarm on every floor in your residence?
2. Have your smoke alarms been tested this month?
3. Has the battery in your smoke alarms been changed this year?
4. Have the smoke alarms that are over 10 year old been replaced?
5. Please provide the expiration date of your smoke alarms:
6. Are your smoke alarms installed according to the information provided on the 2nd page of this document?
7. If you heat with wood, oil or propane or have an attached garage, Is your home equipped with a carbon monoxide alarm?
8. Do you have a fire extinguisher in your home?
9. Are there persons with disabilities living in your home?
- a. If so, what kind of disabilities?

(If you have answered “no” to questions 1 to 7 or you cannot answer any of the previous questions please contact your local fire safety service for assistance.)

Smoke alarms

Smoke alarms are the best way to save lives from fire. This is why the Pontiac MRC introduced a fire prevention by-law on October 25th, 2011, providing for fire protection on the territory of the Pontiac MRC. In fact, all residents must have at least one smoke alarm (battery or electric powered) on each floor of their residence including the basement and the attic if it is habitable. This applies to all buildings where people sleep.

The smoke alarms must be installed either:

- On a wall at a distance of 10 cm to 30 cm from the ceiling;
- On the ceiling at a distance of at least 10 cm from a wall.

Remember to **change the battery** at least once a year or when a warning sound is heard. Do not forget that a smoke alarm has a **10-year lifetime**.

We strongly urge you to consult the By-law via the website of the MRC at www.mrcpontiac.qc.ca, under *MRC Services* and then *Public Security*.

Carbon monoxide alarms

Carbon monoxide (CO), also called “the Silent killer”, is a product of incomplete combustion of wood, oil or propane that can be created by a faulty appliance. Smoke alarms do not detect Carbon monoxide. This is why it is also **mandatory** to install at least one CO alarm in your house if a wood, oil or propane burning appliance is used, or if your home has an attached garage.

Please fill out the following information:

Name (Print) _____

Address of residence _____

Phone number where you can be reached during the day _____

Signature _____