

Convenience a trend in new smoke alarm design

(NC)-A quick trip into a hardware store for the purchase of a new smoke alarm will surprise you with the vast number of new advances made to these simple products. One recent innovation has been the front load battery door. This feature offers the convenience of changing batteries without having to remove the unit from the ceiling or in the case of a hardwire unit with battery backup, disconnecting the

power supply.

Since all smoke alarms wear out after ten years and should be replaced, the convenience of a tenyear alarm is now available as a choice for the consumer. Ten-year battery alarms are ideal for installation in hard to reach areas, such as high ceilings now found in many new homes. These alarms include a long-life lithium battery that does not need replacing and is warranted for the life of the alarm. The ten-year battery units also come in a version that is tamperproof, that once installed, cannot be easily removed from the mounting plate and the battery is not removable. This is an ideal choice for landlords who want to ensure continuous protection in their rental units, with minimum maintenance requirements and lowered risk of removal from tenants. One only needs to change the alarm after a signal sounds to indicate the need for a replacement after ten years.

You will find cover designs that have been updated dramatically to

better coordinate with today's contemporary standards. Some designs incorporate an route to safety. Look for the different types of you the status of the alarm. For more infor- www.SafeAtHomeTips.com.

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