

OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

PSE³ QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

NFIRS/Outreach/CRR
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NFIRS NOTES

NFPA Fire Prevention Week

10/06/2024 – 10/12/2024

This year's Fire Prevention Week (FPW) campaign, "Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work for You!" is October 06-12, 2024, and strives to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

Visit: <https://www.nfpa.org/events/fire-prevention-week>, for more information on the campaign, as well as Smoke Alarm Tips, Guidelines and Training Resources.

LITHIUM-ION BATTERY NFIRS CODING HELP

Lithium-ion batteries are increasingly found in devices and systems that the public and first responders use or interact with daily. While these batteries provide an effective and efficient source of power, the likelihood of them overheating, catching on fire, and even leading to explosions increases when they are damaged or improperly used, charged, or stored.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, at least 25,000 fire or overheating incidents in lithium-ion batteries occurred in a five-year period. Furthermore, heat, smoke, toxic gases, and the potential for explosions (known as "thermal runaway") are all dangers associated with lithium-ion battery fires. For instructions on how to code a lithium-ion battery fire in NFIRS, please see: <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfirs/coding-help/lithium-batteries/>.

NFIRS Training Aids: <https://sfm.illinois.gov/iam/firedepartment/nfirs/nfirs-support-and-guides.html>
<https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfirs/training/>

DataWarehouse Reporting Quick Start Guide:

[usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/nfirs/nfirs-data-warehouse-reports-tool-quick-start-guide.pdf](https://www.usfa.fema.gov/downloads/pdf/nfirs/nfirs-data-warehouse-reports-tool-quick-start-guide.pdf)

Instructions to Run Monthly Incident Compliance Report:

<https://sfm.illinois.gov/content/dam/soi/en/web/sfm/sfmdocuments/documents/nfirs-training-data-warehouse-monthly-compliance-report.pdf>

NFIRS Coding Help: [usfa.fema.gov/nfirs/coding-help/](https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfirs/coding-help/)

- OSFM runs Monthly Compliance and Validity Reports and posts them on our website: <https://sfm.illinois.gov/iam/firedepartment/nfirs/compliance-and-statistic.html>
- Please keep all fire department info up-to-date in both NFIRS and the PS&E Portal.
- NERIS will be replacing NFIRS effective 1/1/25. Watch for more info at: <https://www.usfa.fema.gov/nfirs/neris/>

Community Risk Reduction (CRR)

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The Office of the State Fire Marshal is an active member of the Illinois Community Risk Reduction (CRR) Task Force. Our mission is to promote the importance of CRR in IL by inspiring community ownership and providing coordinated services.

The 2024 State of Illinois Community Risk Reduction Conference will return! An announcement about date/location is coming soon!

Outreach and Events

- ❖ 7/13 – Bartlett Touch A Truck, Bartlett Park
- ❖ 8/6 – K9 Event, Algonquin
- ❖ 8/6 – K9 Event, Freeport
- ❖ 8/8-8/18 – IL State Fair, Springfield
- ❖ 8/23-9/2 – DuQuoin State Fair, DuQuoin
- ❖ 9/14 – K9 Event, Mt. Prospect
- ❖ 9/15-9/18 – IFCA Annual Combined Conf, Peoria
- ❖ 9/15-9/18 – IAAI Annual Training Conf, Peoria
- ❖ 9/21 – K9 Event, Pleasantview
- ❖ 9/25 – CFO Luncheon, Peoria
- ❖ 9/25-9/27 – ISFSI Annual Conf, Champaign
- ❖ 9/27-9/29 – IFA Down & Dirty, Champaign
- ❖ 10/6 – K9 Event, McHenry

For other SFMO Events:

<https://sfm.illinois.gov/events>

The K-9 Arson team is available for demonstrations. To schedule, contact Jeff Pride jeff.pride@illinois.gov

The IL Fire Museum @IL State Fairgrounds will be closed for renovations until further notice.

Visit us at the OSFM Tent

@Illinois State Fair &

DuQuoin State Fair!



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