



A Winter Reminder

from

Scotland Island RFB

Smoke Alarms

Did you Know smoke alarms only last 10 years?

It may be time to replace your old alarms.

Fire & Rescue NSW recommends the installation of photoelectric smoke alarms.

Photoelectric alarms are more advanced and are widely regarded as being superior to ionisation alarms in most circumstances. They can respond faster than other alarms to most fire types and are less likely to cause annoying false alarms. Photoelectric alarms are particularly effective at detecting smouldering fires, which provides the earliest possible warning of a small developing fire.

If a smoke alarm has a radioactive warning symbol on it, it's an ionisation smoke alarm.



How many do I need?

Legislation requires all NSW residents must have at least one working smoke alarm installed on each level of their home.

Burning cleared Vegetation

Due to its remote location, the EPA allows residents on Scotland Island to burn cleared vegetation on their properties under certain conditions.

You must have a current “Hazard Reduction Certificate” and you must comply with the regulations outlined.

You can find information about *Applying for a Hazard Reduction Certificate* on the home page of the Scotland Island RFB website www.sirfb.org.au

Applications need to be faxed or emailed to **Warringah Pittwater Fire Control**

Warringah.pittwaterFCC@rfs.nsw.gov.au

Remember - Burning vegetation without an approved Hazard Reduction Certificate is against the law.

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