

Wireless smoke sensor testing

HOW-TO GUIDE

1. Before testing your wireless smoke sensor, check for discoloration. If your smoke sensor is yellow, this is a good indicator that it is outdated. The U.S. Fire Marshall recommends that smoke detectors and sensors be used no more than 10 years.
2. To test, call the monitoring center and ask the dispatcher to place your system on “test” mode. They will ask for your password and testing timeframe.
3. To test your smoke sensor, hold down the test/silence button for a minimum of 30 seconds. This will activate the smoke sensor and send an alarm to your security system.
4. When the alarm activates you will hear an audible alarm that sounds like a loud siren. After hearing the alarm, disarm the system as you normally would.
5. Depending on the type of alarm system, you may need to disarm the system a second time to reset it. Refer to your owner’s manual if you have questions.
6. Verify that the alarm signals were communicated by calling the monitoring center and asking for the account history. When done, have them remove the system from “test” mode.

