

Curtains  
**\$59**

Lamp  
**\$35**

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bedrooms and living areas.**



Smoke alarm  
From **\$20**

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bedroom essential**



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# Smoke alarms are a bedroom essential

## More than 70 per cent of fatal house fires start in bedrooms and living areas.

Some people think the smoke alarm outside their bedroom is enough to warn them when a fire starts. However, research shows that if a fire starts in a bedroom and the door is closed, the smoke alarm outside the bedroom will not sound.

When you are asleep you lose your sense of smell, and the carbon monoxide in smoke will put you into a deeper sleep. Without a working smoke alarm in bedrooms and living areas, you may not wake up.

Having working smoke alarms installed in all bedrooms and living areas is your best line of defence, alerting you promptly and giving you and your family the best chance of surviving a fire.

For more information regarding smoke alarms and smoke alarm maintenance, visit [www.vic.gov.au/smoke-alarms](http://www.vic.gov.au/smoke-alarms)

## Which smoke alarm do I buy?

It's the law that every home has smoke alarms. Our advice is, the more you have the safer you and your family will be. When installing additional smoke alarms in your home, you have the choice of selecting the type and price of unit that best suits your needs.

Cost from:		
Good	Smoke alarm powered by a 9-volt battery <b>Cons:</b> Cost to replace battery each year.	\$20 each
Better	A Smoke alarm powered by a 10-year lithium battery in a tamperproof chamber. <b>Pros:</b> The battery will not need to be replaced each year.	\$30 each
Best	Wireless interconnected smoke alarm with a 10-year lithium battery. <b>Pros:</b> When one smoke alarm activates, all alarms will sound.	\$90 each

