

**4.5** Things you  
can do **TODAY**  
To make your  
home safer.





# #1

## Test Your Ground Fault Circuit (GFCI) Breakers and Outlets Monthly

- GFCI outlets are the most common and should be located in all bathrooms, kitchens, garages, unfinished basements, and outdoors.
- Testing is as easy as pushing a button.

*To find out more about GFCI's watch the video on [www.WeWire4u.com](http://www.WeWire4u.com).*

# #2

## Test Your Arc Fault Circuit (AFCI) Breakers Monthly

- AFCI breakers will be in your electrical panel.
- It just takes the push of a button.
- AFCI breakers prevent fires.
- AFCI's were introduced in 1999 National Electric Code and requires them in all bedrooms. The 2008 NEC code now requires them in all rooms of the home.

*Visit [www.WeWire4u.com](http://www.WeWire4u.com) to find out more and to watch what an AFCI does.*



# #3

## Test Your Smoke Detectors

Smoke detectors should be tested monthly. It's as easy as pushing a button.

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# #4

## Replace Batteries in Smoke Detectors

- The fire department recommends you change batteries twice a year when you turn the clocks.
- Yes, even powered smoke detectors should have a 9 volt battery back up!
- You should have detectors in the following locations: all bedrooms where someone might sleep, hallways to sleeping rooms, every level of the home.

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# #4.5

## Testing - 1-2-3 Testing

Make a list of the items in your house you should be testing and how often you should be testing them. Then start testing them!

Examples (Monthly: smoke detectors, GFCI's, AFCI breakers, etc.)



*Go on an electrical equipment scavenger hunt.*

*Print a list from our website [www.WeWire4u.com](http://www.WeWire4u.com):*

*4.5 Things You Can Do Today Testing List!*



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With these tips you can have the peace of mind of knowing your home is safe from easily avoidable electrical tragedies.

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