



CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM RESPONSE PROCEDURE

This form is to be completed, scanned and filed in the electronic system.

It is the practice of LADD to provide a safe environment for persons supported and employees. In the event that a Carbon Monoxide Detector has alarmed at a LADD home/location, steps will be taken to evacuate the people and employees from the affected home/location immediately.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, tasteless, colorless gas that is deadly. It is a by-product of a fuel burning process. Many appliances such as furnaces, kitchen stoves, hot water heaters, automobiles (Do not leave it running in a garage or enclosed area), etc., can produce carbon monoxide. When a faulty or unusual condition exists, carbon monoxide may be vented into areas where people are present. Carbon monoxide poisoning may be difficult to diagnose.

See below for a list of possible symptoms when exposed to Carbon Monoxide:

- ⇒ **MILD EXPOSURE:** SLIGHT HEADACHE, NAUSEA, VOMITING, FATIGUE (FLU-LIKE SYMPTOMS)
- ⇒ **MEDIUM EXPOSURE:** SEVERE THROBBING HEADACHE, DROWSINESS, CONFUSION, FAST HEART RATE
- ⇒ **EXTREME EXPOSURE:** UNCONSCIOUSNESS, CONVULSIONS, CARDIO-RESPIRATORY FAILURE, DEATH

Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detectors are located in the following locations inside the home/location:

If a Carbon Monoxide Alarm is sounded staff should take the following actions:

1. **EVACUATE THE HOME/LOCATION IMMEDIATELY!**
2. Open all windows and doors on the way out if possible.
3. Take the emergency bag.
4. Call 911 and inform them that a Carbon Monoxide detector has alarmed.
5. Arrange for medical examination of anyone that shows symptoms of Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning.
6. Notify Management after ensuring that all people are at the point of safety.
7. **DO NOT** re-enter the location/home unless a professional has cleared it to be safe.
8. If you are allowed to re-enter, reset or replace the Carbon Monoxide (CO) detector.

Point of Safety for this Home/Location:

If the Carbon Monoxide Detector sounds again within one week, **DO NOT** enter the house again until the situation has been professionally assessed that the source of the Carbon Monoxide (CO) has been identified and the problem is corrected.