

October is National Fire Prevention Month

October 6–12, 2024 is National Fire Prevention Week

In 2020 alone, more than 16,500 office and store fires in the United States resulted in \$932 million in property damage, according to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Fire Incident Reporting System.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) marks October 6–12 as Fire Prevention Week (FPW) 2024—use this time to refresh your knowledge of ways to keep your workplace and home safe. This year’s FPW campaign focuses on smoke alarms and educating everyone on the importance of working smoke alarms in the home.



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Items we use every day, such as heaters, overloaded electrical outlets and cords, and office and home equipment are common causes of both workplace and home fires. Check out the information and resources available from the National Safety Council (NSC), FEMA, and the NFPA:

NSC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Video: Spot the Fire Hazard• Video: Workplace Fire Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poster: Hot Tips*• Poster: Fire Extinguisher Use*
NFPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fire Prevention Week (FPW) (nfpa.org)	
American Red Cross	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home Fire Prevention & Safety Tips	
FEMA	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Home Fire Safety Brochure (fema.gov)	

For additional information on the SMCX’s services, please visit the SMCX-hosted website at: <https://www.smscx.org/>.

* NSC Posters require NSC membership login to access.