

REDUCE THE RISK OF CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING IN YOUR HOME >>>

✓ GASSAFETY

CO is odorless and colorless, so detectors will alert you of a leak early and help keep you safe from the effects of CO poisoning.

Always clear **natural gas meters** and **vents** of debris, snow, and ice. Blocked equipment can cause a CO hazard.



Install **CO detectors** on every floor, especially near sleeping areas. Refresh batteries at least once a year.



Clear buildup in your **chimney**. A blocked chimney cannot vent CO out of the house.



Always run a **generator** outside and away from doors, windows, and air vents to avoid a CO hazard.



Get your equipment tuned up each year. An improperly installed, vented, or functioning **furnace** could create a CO hazard.



Never run **gasoline vehicles** inside the garage; tailpipe emissions will create a buildup of toxic CO.



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SYMPTOMS OF CARBON MONOXIDE POISONING:

- Symptoms can include headaches, dizziness, nausea, unclear thinking, shortness of breath, weakness, vision problems, and loss of muscle control.
- High concentrations of CO can lead to unconsciousness, brain damage, or death.
- The symptoms of CO poisoning are **often confused with those of the flu**; the highest incidences of poisoning occur during the heating and flu seasons.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SUSPECT CARBON MONOXIDE:

- If you suspect CO or it is detected by your alarm, **alert** your family or guests and **exit the building** immediately.
- **Open windows** and doors on your way out, if you are able.
- **Call 911** to notify your local fire department.

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