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2019 MS Fire Safety Summit aims to reduce fire deaths

JACKSON, Miss. – So far in 2019, there have been 36 fire deaths in Mississippi. That's a downturn from 50 at the same time last year. Sadly, in at least 20 cases this year, the victim did not have working smoke alarms in their home.

But very soon, new smoke alarms with new scientific standards from Underwriters Laboratories (UL) will be on store shelves. The Mississippi Fire Marshal's Office will discuss these changes in fire prevention at the 2019 MS Fire Safety Summit. The meeting will also focus on adults and safety and leading causes of home fires. **Reporters and photographers are invited to stop by between 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. during the K9 unit presentation.**

Who: Anyone who takes part in fire prevention can attend.

When: Thursday, July 11, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: MS State Fire Academy auditorium, 1 Fire Academy Road, Pearl, Miss.

How: Pre-register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSFLS2019>

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