

**Most Queensland homes won't be compliant by 2027 and the safest time to act is before the scramble.**



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Fallon Solutions General Manager Electrical, Scott Sinclair, is urging Queensland homeowners to get ahead of the state's smoke alarm compliance deadline now, warning that many households underestimate what will be required by **1 January 2027** and that leaving it late can trigger rushed decisions, higher costs, and avoidable safety gaps.

"Smoke alarms are the kind of thing people don't think about until they chirp at 2am, or until a sale or lease forces a last-minute upgrade," Sinclair said. "But the final phase of Queensland's reforms applies to existing homes too. Waiting until the deadline is close is how you end up in the scramble."

Mr Sinclair said the major misunderstanding is that compliance is not about having "an alarm somewhere". The updated standard requires photoelectric alarms that are interconnected and installed across key sleeping risk areas including inside bedrooms, in hallways leading to bedrooms, and on every level of the home.

"For multi-level homes, multiple bedroom wings, or older properties, the right layout and interconnection plan matters," he said. "If you leave it late, you don't always get the best design outcome, you get the fastest one."

He also noted smoke alarms have a limited life, meaning some homes may be relying on expired devices without realising it.

"The reason we push people to act early isn't compliance for compliance's sake," Sinclair said. "It's because interconnected alarms dramatically improve the chance of being alerted quickly, especially at night when seconds matter."

Sinclair said Fallon Solutions' approach is designed to reduce confusion for

homeowners by pairing compliance upgrades with clearer decision-making, particularly on safety and home upgrade work where customers often struggle to compare quotes.

“Our licensed electricians can assess your current smoke alarm placement, identify gaps against the 2027 requirements, and install interconnected photoelectric alarms suited to your home’s layout,” he said.

To help homeowners get clarity fast, Fallon Solutions is offering a \$198 Smoke Alarm Compliance Check, which includes a professional assessment and a compliance certificate issued when the home meets the required standard.

“We’ve been trusted by South East Queensland home owners for over 60 years,” Mr Sinclair said. “This is one of those upgrades where the best result comes from planning, so households are protected well before 1 January 2027.”

For customers wanting to learn more about the multi trades Fallon Solutions provides go to <https://fallonsolutions.com.au>

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