

Technology Feature –

Building a new home - Fire Safety First

Information Sheet for the Deaf, Hearing Impaired, Cochlear Implantees & Hearing Aid users



Faye Yarroll is a Bilateral Freedom Cochlear Implant Recipient and was first implanted in 2005 and received her second implant in 2007. Today Faye shares her tips and hints with other recipients through her active membership of Cicada as well as being a member of the Cochlear Awareness Network.

When Faye was building her new home in Sydney, she carefully planned her home to not only be responsible for fewer greenhouse gas emissions by installing energy efficient appliances as well as an underground water tank, but she also considered her personal safety.

Being a Bilateral Cochlear Implant Recipient and having other hearing impaired family living with her, she thought of everything.

LIFESAVER

She arranged an electrician to install a “Lifesaver® (R) Professional 240V Smoke Alarm Model 5800RL” upstairs and downstairs in her new home. In addition to this, she carefully planned for each bedroom and living area to be installed with “Lifesaver (R) 240V Remote Signalling Devices

Model LIFSL240” which interconnect with the Smoke Detectors and provide a bright 177 Candela Strobe Light.

<http://www.psaproducts.com.au/Photoelectric-with-Fixed-Rechargeable-Lithium-Battery-LIF5800RL.aspx> a YouTube Video about this smoke alarm is at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPd87lenc5U&feature=player_embedded

PSA LIFESAVER 5800RL
Photoelectric smoke alarm

- ✓ Sensitive to slow smouldering fires
- ✓ 240VAC with rechargeable lithium battery
- ✓ Insect screen over smoke sensing chamber to reduce nuisance alarm

LITHIUM FIXED RECHARGEABLE BATTERY

STROBE LIGHT

✓ LIFSL240

Having the Strobe Light signalling devices means Faye would wake up in case of a Fire emergency even though she can't hear. All devices (Smoke Alarms and Strobe Lights) operate on mains power with lithium battery backup.



LIFSL240

- Strobe Light for hearing impaired
- Must be operated by a compatible 240V smoke or heat alarm
- Bright 177 candela strobe light
- Interconnects with compatible 240V smoke and heat alarms
- 1Hz flash rate (60 flashes per minute)
- Mains power indicator
- Tamper resistant
- UL compliant, American Disability Act

<http://www.psaproducts.com.au/Assets/Documents/PDF/Fire%20DataSheet/SL240.pdf>

Faye can now sleep assured that her personal safety comes first. So if you or someone you live with is hearing impaired, consider investigating what products are available to alert you of a fire in case of emergency. Life is precious!

If you would like to ask Faye about any other accessories she has in her home, then Faye can be contacted on email: fayeyarroll@optusnet.com.au or Phone: (02) 9706 8007.