
Fire Prevention & Safety

EDUCATE, TEACH, PRACTICE

- ☐ Draw a map of your home. Mark two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit.
- ☐ Teach children how to escape on their own in case you are unable to help them.
- ☐ Practice your home fire drills twice a year.
- ☐ If fire is present, close doors behind you as you leave, this can slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire.
- ☐ If there is smoke, get low and go under the smoke when escaping.
- ☐ Once outside, stay outside. Do not go back into a burning building.

PREPAREDNESS & PREVENTION

- ☐ Smoke alarms- Test smoke alarms once a month, replace the batteries every year and replace the entire smoke alarm every ten years.
 - ☐ Located inside & outside every sleeping area, on every level.
 - ☐ Purchase a monitored Smoke/CO detector for an extra level of protection, you focus on getting out safely, while the fire department is dispatched for you, even when you are not home.
- ☐ Store matches and lighters out of a child's reach
- ☐ Upper levels of the home should have escape ladders stored in a place that is easy and quick to get to
- ☐ Inform babysitters or nannies of the escape plan for when you are not at home
- ☐ House numbers should be clearly marked and easy for the fire department to find
- ☐ Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment, furnace, space heater, fireplace, etc.
- ☐ Turn off portable heaters when leaving the room or going to bed.
- ☐ Never leave the kitchen unattended while cooking. Create 3 feet, "kid-free zone" in the kitchen around the stove and areas with hot food or drink



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