



Home Fire Safety

*A fire safety
inspection checklist*

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Make fire safety a "family business" by involving the entire family in a fire safety inspection.

Here's a comprehensive checklist to use as a guide.

Safety Measures

Do you have these safety items in your home?

- Working smoke alarms on all levels and outside sleeping areas (each story or wing, basement, etc.). Have you tested the alarms in the last month?
- ABC or ABCD fire extinguisher in the kitchen and/or workshop?
- Emergency exit plan, with two ways out from each room and a meeting place outdoors?

Fire Hazards

- Check for these fire hazards in your home. Correct any problems NOW.



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Kitchen

- Matches stored out of the reach of children.
- No overloaded outlets or extension cords.
- No curtains or towel racks close to the stove.
- Flammable liquids (cleaning fluids, contact adhesives, etc.) or aerosols stored away from the stove or other heat source. (Remember, even a pilot light can set vapors on fire.)
- No attractive or frequently used items stored above the stove where someone could get burned reaching for them (especially small children in search of cookies or other goodies).
- No worn or frayed appliance cords and extension cords.

Living Room, Family Room and Bedrooms

- Matches and lighters stored out of reach of children.
- Use only large ashtrays. (Small ashtrays are too dangerous.)
- Empty ashtrays frequently. But make sure that all signs of heat and burning are gone.
- Fireplace kept screened and cleaned regularly.
- Replace worn or frayed appliance cords and extension cords.
- No extension cords run under rugs or carpets or looped over nails and other sharp objects that could cause them to fray.
- Sufficient air space around TV, stereo, and other electronic equipment to prevent overheating.
- Heaters kept three feet away from curtains, furniture, and papers.
- No overloaded outlets or extension cords.

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**PUT SMOKE ALARMS IN YOUR HOME
TO KEEP YOUR FAMILY SAFE**