

**PHILADELPHIA FIRE DEPARTMENT
HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST
FOR ONE & TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS**

PLAN TO GET OUT ALIVE

YES NO

- . Do you have a home fire escape plan with a pre-determined location to meet outside?
- . Is there at least one smoke alarm, on each floor, in your home?
- . Do you test your 9-volt battery operated smoke alarms weekly and replace the battery yearly?
- . Do you test your 10-year lithium battery operated smoke alarms monthly?

PLAN TO BE FIRE SAFE

- . Do you make sure matches and smoking materials are out before disposing of them?
- . Have you made "Take Smoking Outside the Home" a safety rule for your family?
- . Do you read the warning labels on aerosol cans?
- . Some propellants are highly flammable.
- . If you have a family member using oxygen at home, do you prohibit smoking in the same room with oxygen equipment?

ELECTRICAL HAZARDS

- . Are there enough electrical outlets in every room to avoid the need for multiple attachment plugs and long extension cords?
- . Do you have special circuits for heavy-duty appliances such as air conditioners?
- . Are all extension and appliance cords checked frequently for wear?
- . Do you avoid draping wires and extension cords over pipes or nails?

HOUSEKEEPING HAZARDS

- . Do you keep your basement, closets, and attic cleared of combustible materials?
- . If you store paint, varnish, etc., do you keep the metal containers tightly closed?
- . Has everyone in your family been warned never to use gasoline or other flammable fluids for cleaning anything indoors?

HEATING AND COOKING HAZARDS

- . Do you always turn off portable heaters when you go to bed?
- . Do you always refill the fuel tank of your portable heaters outdoors?
- . Do you see that every portable heater is placed well away from curtains, bedding, furniture, etc.?
- . Is your kitchen range, including the oven and broiler, kept clean of grease?
- . Are curtains near kitchen ranges and heating equipment arranged so that curtains do not blow over or near the stove?
- . Does your family's everyday cooking habits include not leaving food on the stove unattended and keeping pot handles turned in from the stove's edge?

SPECIAL FOR PARENTS

- . Do you keep matches out of the reach of children?
- . Do you leave a responsible person with your children when you go out (even for a short period of time?)
- . When you employ a babysitter, do you instruct them what to do in case of fire or medical emergency?
- . Do you keep candles away from children, combustibles and never leave candles unattended or burning while sleeping?

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