



Home Safety Check List

Use this list when conducting home safety checks in the community.

- Smoke alarms are located in each bedroom, outside each sleeping area, such as the hallway, and on every level of the home.
- Smoke alarms are tested monthly to ensure the batteries are working properly.
- The residents have a fire escape plan in place and regularly practice it.
- Fire extinguishers are available on every level of the home.
- Carbon monoxide detectors are located near each bedroom and on every level of the home.
- The home has an emergency supply kit.
- Emergency phone numbers are programmed in the phone or posted near it.
- Deadbolt locks can be unlocked from the inside without a key.
- Combustible storage is separate from heaters and heating devices.
- No storage on stairs or in a manner that blocks exit doors or rescue windows.
- Flammable liquids are stored in proper containers and located away from sources of heat or ignition.
- Extension cords are not overloaded, worn, frayed, spliced, or otherwise damaged.
- Extension cords are not run under carpets or through walls or ceilings.
- All electrical switches and receptacles have a proper cover plate.
- Child locks are installed on all cabinets used to store dangerous items, such as poisons, cleaners, matches, and lighters.
- Correct address is displayed and easily visible from the street, even at night.
- Weeds, grass, vines, or other growth that may be ignited is cut down and removed.
- Pools, hot tubs, or other large bodies of water are surrounded by a four-foot fence, or a fence meeting local requirements, with self-closing gates which lock on the "inside" of the barrier or have a cover that meets industry standards.
- Barbeque grills are located a sufficient distance from siding, eaves, tree branches, and combustible decks in a well-ventilated area.