

HOME FIRE SAFETY TIPS

Ensure all smoke detectors are operational.

Operational smoke detectors can cut, nearly in half, the risk of dying in a fire. Check smoke alarms monthly. Have a smoke detector on every level, inside bedrooms, and outside of sleeping areas.

Remain in the kitchen while cooking.

Turn off the stove if you leave the room, even for a short period.

Ensure homes and electrical components meet modern electrical demands.

Older homes may not be up to date for electrical safety, and appliances and electronics have increased modern electricity demands. Contact an electrician.

Keep items that catch fire away from heaters, candles, etc.

Turn space heaters off and extinguish open flames, such as candles or fireplaces, when you leave a room or go to sleep.

Plan an evacuation and meeting point.

If a fire starts, you may have less than two minutes to get to safety. Ensure household members know of two ways out of every room. Practice evacuating with your household twice a year.

Remain outside when a fire occurs.

Do not go back inside in the event of a fire.

Ensure household members know emergency phone numbers.

Memorize phone numbers that reach first responders and emergency contacts.