

Fire Safety Checklist

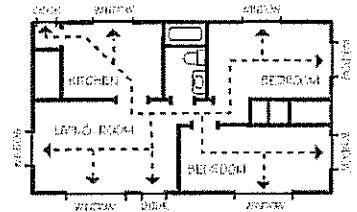
✓ Install and maintain smoke alarms

- At least one on each level of your home, especially near sleeping areas
- Test and dust alarms monthly
- Replace batteries at least once a year



✓ In case of a fire

- Know two ways out of every room in your home and practice your escape routes
- Do not try to fight the fire - get out immediately
- Call for help once outside your home
- Have a meeting place outside so everyone knows you are out of the building

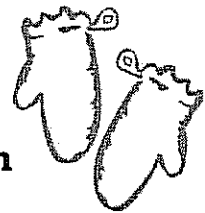


✓ Use smoking materials safely

- If you smoke, never smoke in bed, when taking medication, or when consuming alcohol
- Always use large, tip proof ashtrays
- Store all matches and lighters in a safe place

✓ Pay attention to your cooking

- Keep pot handles turned inward
- Wear tight fitting clothing
- Use oven mitts or pot holders
- Use a timer when cooking - on the stove or in the oven

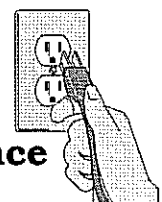


✓ Heat your home safely

- Have a professional inspect your heating equipment annually
- Keep a distance of three (3) feet between heaters and any combustibles
- Do not use candles or ovens to heat your home

✓ Practice Electrical Safety

- Avoid using extension cords
- Plug each appliance into its own outlet
- Install and maintain all electrical appliances in accordance with manufacturer's instructions
- Check plugs and cords for wear and breakage



**DETROIT FIRE DEPARTMENT
COMMUNITY RELATIONS DIVISION
HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST**

Yes No

PLAN TO GET OUT ALIVE

Do you have a home fire escape plan with a pre-determined location to meet outside? Yes No

Is there at least one smoke alarm on each floor level in your home? Yes No

Do you test your smoke alarm(s) monthly? Yes No

Is the smoke alarm battery replaced yearly? Yes No

PLAN TO BE FIRE SAFE

Do you make sure matches and smoking materials are out before disposing of them? Yes No

Do you smoke in bed? Yes No

Do you smoke while taking medication which can make you drowsy? Yes No

ELECTRICAL HAZARDS

Are there enough electrical outlets in every room to avoid the need for multiple attachments
Plugs and long extension cords? Yes No

Do you have special circuits for heavy-duty appliances such as air conditioners? Yes No

Are all extension and appliance cords checked frequently for wear? Yes No

Do you avoid draping wires and extension cords over pipes or nails? Yes No

Are the wrong size fuses installed in your fuse box? Yes No

HOUSEKEEPING HAZARDS

Do you keep your basement, closets, and attic cleared of combustible materials? Yes No

Do you keep paint, varnish, polish, or flammables near the heater, furnace or water tank? Yes No

Do you have gasoline or kerosene stored in your home? Yes No

HEATING AND COOKING HAZARDS

Do you turn off portable heater(s) when you go to bed? Yes No

Do you refill the fuel tank of your portable heater(s) outdoors? Yes No

Are your portable heaters spaced 3 feet away from combustible materials, i.e. furniture? Yes No

Is your kitchen range, including the oven and broiler, kept clean of grease? Yes No

Does your family's everyday cooking habits include not leaving food unattended
And keeping pot handle turned in from the stove's edge? Yes No