



Checklist for Fire Prevention & Safety

Do not keep any items within 3 feet of anything that gets hot. (Curling Iron, Coffee Pot, Slow Cooker, etc)
Communicate the dangers of fire with children regularly and keep matches and lighters out of their reach.
Never leave a burning candle unattended.
Install smoke alarms on every level of your home and outside every sleeping area. Install a carbon monoxide alarm in a central location outside each separate sleeping area.
Do not use candles when the power is out – use flashlights instead.
Make sure your house number is easily readable from the street during the day and at night.
Make sure your home heating sources are clean and in working order
Check electrical wiring in your home.
Fix or replace frayed extension cords, exposed wires, or loose plugs.
Make sure wiring is not under rugs, attached by nails, or in high traffic areas.
Make sure electrical outlets have cover plates and no exposed wiring.
Do not overload outlets or extension cords
Purchase appliances and electrical devices that bear the label of an independent testing laboratory.
Store combustible materials in open areas away from heat sources.
Place rags used to apply flammable household chemicals in metal containers with tight-fitting lids.
Do not leave a stove in use unattended. Keep a fire extinguisher in the kitchen and near any open flame, such as a grill.
Be sure to practice your fire safety evacuation plan annually, have two escape locations identified for an emergency and test your smoke detectors regularly.