

Home Fire Safety Checklist

- Install **smoke detectors** on every level of your home
 - Change batteries twice a year
 - Test smoke alarms monthly
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- Install **carbon monoxide detectors** on every level of your home
 - Change batteries twice a year
 - Test smoke alarms monthly
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- Make a **fire escape plan**
 - Plan for 2 exits from every room
 - Set a meeting place outside of the home
 - Explain the plan to your children
 - Teach your children STOP, DROP (cover face) and ROLL
 - Practice, Practice, Practice**
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- Check **fireplace** for possible hazards
 - Install foam padding or guard around a brick hearth
 - Make sure you have heat resistant doors
 - Use a fireplace screen or gate
 - Install fireplace door locks
 - Remove fireplace tools
 - Have chimney cleaned if it is a wood burning fireplace
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Home Fire Safety Checklist (Cont.)

- Put all **matches and lighters** up high and out of reach of children
 - Make sure your lighters are child resistant
 - Set lighters on lowest flame
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- Keep all **candles** out of reach of children
 - Keep candles away from anything combustible
 - Use sturdy glass, metal or ceramic holders
 - Always use a snuffer to extinguish flame
 - Extinguish all candles when leaving a room or the house
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- Maintain all **electrical** items
 - Check all cords and replace worn or frayed
 - Don't overload sockets or extension cords
 - Replace any light switches or outlets that are warm to the touch
 - Always use child proof outlet covers
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- Put **fire extinguishers** in kitchen and on each level of your home
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- Have **emergency #'s** visible and accessible
 - Check if you have 911 available to you
 - Program emergency #'s into your cell phone
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Home Fire Safety Checklist (Cont.)

- If you are a **smoker**, smoke safely
 - Buy fire-safe cigarettes
 - Smoke outside whenever possible
 - Never** smoke in bed
 - Use deep sturdy ashtrays
 - Put out cigarettes in water
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- If you use a **space heater**, follow safety guidelines
 - Keep children away from space heaters
 - Place space heaters away from anything combustible or wet areas
 - Only use UL approved heaters
 - Use heaters that automatically shut off if knocked over
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- If you use a **kerosene heater**, follow safety guidelines
 - Check if they are allowed in your area
 - Keep children away from heaters
 - Use in a well-ventilated room
 - Use only K-1 kerosene in heater
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