

Fire & Life Safety Information

“Home Fire Safety”

- Have an escape plan
- Know two different ways out of every room in the house
- Have someone assigned to help those that need help getting out
- Everyone should know how to call 911 in an emergency
- Have a meeting place for everyone once they get out
- Practice fire drills regularly using your escape plan
- GET OUT of the House and STAY OUT!
- Crawl low under the smoke
- Feel doors with the back of your hand for heat, before opening
- Open doors slowly and be ready to close them if heat or fire is outside them
- Once out of the house or building, DON'T GO BACK IN FOR ANY REASON!
- Once outside go to a phone and call 911 to report the fire
- If your clothes catch on fire: STOP, DROP, and ROLL until the fire goes out and cover your face with your hands
- Close any doors you safely can as you are leaving the house
- Keep matches and lighters out of the reach of children
- Have a working fire extinguisher
- Smokers always use a proper ashtray
- Never leave cooking unattended
- Wear clothes with short, roll-up, or tight-fitting sleeves
- For each pot or pan you use, have its lid out to cover it
- Keep the cooking areas clear of combustibles
- Turn pot and pan handles inward on the stove so they can't be bumped
- Keep small children away from the cooking area while in use
- Keep portable heaters and space heaters at least three feet away from anything that can burn
- Avoid using extension cords where possible
- Never run extension cords under rugs or carpet
- Replace any frayed or cracked extension cords
- Don't tamper with your fuse box or use improper-size fuses
- If any electrical appliance smokes or has an unusual smell, unplug it immediately, and don't use it until checked or repaired
- Have your chimney cleaned regularly to prevent chimney fires
- If you have a fire in your fireplace, always close the screen or doors
- Always empty your fireplace ashes in a metal container, and set them away from the house or anything that will burn

Provide any helpful information to the Fire Department you can:

- Where is the fire located in the house?
- Is anyone still in the house and where they might be located?
- Any hazards in the house?

* Also see 9-1-1

* Also see Smoke Alarms

* Also see Kitchen Fire Safety

* Also see Hazardous Materials in the Home

* Also see candles

* Also see Earthquake Preparedness

* Also see Electrical Safety

* Also see Escape Plans