

How safe is your home? Find out by completing this simple survey.

Do you keep matches and lighters out of the reach of children?
Is your child left under the supervision of a reliable person while you go out?
Do you instruct babysitters what to do in case of fire?
Are you careful never to leave children alone in a room with a portable heater, wood stove, or a burning candle?
Do you make sure matches and smoking materials are out before disposing of them?
Is "No Smoking in Bed" a rule in your home?
Did qualified electricians install the wiring in your home?
Are there enough electrical outlets in every room to avoid over extending plugs on an extension cord?
Do you have special circuits for heavy-duty appliances?
Are extension cords of the right size, in the open and not under rugs?
When storing paint or varnish, do you keep the containers tightly closed?
Do you destroy oily polishing rags or place them in metal cans after use?
Does everyone in your household know never to use gasoline or other flammable liquids for cleaning clothes, furnishings or floors?
Do you throw out old rags, papers and other combustible materials rather than store them in your basement, attic, or closet?
Do you have your heating system inspected/serviced by a professional before the heating season begins?
Has your wood burning stove been installed correctly?
Do you make sure the fire in your fireplace is completely extinguished before you leave the house?
Do you burn only seasoned wood?
Does a sturdy metal screen cover your fireplace?
Do you store gasoline for use in a power mower in a strong, safety can designed for flammable liquids?
When finished cooking, or if you suddenly must leave the room, are you extra careful that all controls are turned off?
Do you keep your kitchen stove free of built up grease?
Is your portable heater kept a safe distance from any combustible materials?
Do you have adequate ventilation in your home?
Do you turn off portable heaters before you go to bed?
Charcoal and propane grills are prohibited on balconies; are you in compliance?
Do you blow out candles before you leave the room or go to bed?
Do you make certain that your dryer is turned off before you leave the house?
Does everyone in the household know how to use a fire extinguisher?
Are there fire extinguishers located in the kitchen, basement and garage?
Does the family practice fire drills and discuss a meeting place in case of fire?
Does your home have working smoke detectors on every floor?
Do you have a working carbon monoxide detector in your home?
Do you test your smoke detectors once a month and change the battery in them every six months?
Do you have an escape route with at least two ways out of every room?
Does everyone in your household know what to do in case of a fire?

Every "yes" response indicates a positive fire safety situation, but every "no" response indicates a potential fire hazard that needs to be corrected. If you have any questions, please call Fire Prevention at 440 974-5768.