

Fire Safety Checklist for Homeowners and Renters

✓ Put a check in front of each statement that is true for your home

Smoke Alarms

- Located on every level of home
- Located inside and outside sleeping areas
- Tested each month
- Less than 10 years old
- Batteries are changed as needed
(Daylight savings is a great time to proactively change batteries)

Smoking Safety



Smoke outside in a designated area, with the proper disposal container. Never smoke in bed, or while sitting on furniture.

Cooking Safety

- Area has no items that can ignite when cooking
- Stay in kitchen while food is prepared
- Handles are turned toward back of stove

Children are Curious About Fire

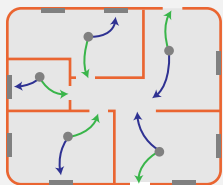
If you have children in your home, lock up items that can start a fire (matches, cigarettes, lighters, etc.). Make sure children cannot reach burning candles.



Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Located on each level of home
- Less than 7 years old

Escape Plan



Every household should have a clear and easy to understand escape / evacuation plan. Clearly mark the primary and alternate escape routes out of the building, designate a safe meeting point outside the home and practice your plan often.

Use the diagram on the back to create yours.

Keep it Clean

Clutter in your home can act as fuel for an already started fire. It can also block access to fire escape routes and emergency exits and create tripping hazards.



Electrical and Appliance Safety

- Electrical cords are in good shape, and free from damage, cuts or exposed wires
- Clean the dryer of lint after every use
- All plug outlets are properly wired and do not feel warm when you touch them (if they are warm, call a licensed electrician)

Fire Extinguishers



Have fire extinguishers in your home that are fully charged and the proper type. They should be readily accessible to improve the chance of stopping a fire early.

Candle Safety

- Candles are securely placed and can't be tipped over or knocked off counters or tables
- Adults blow out candles when leaving the room or going to bed
- Candles are out of reach from children and pets
- Candles are not placed near curtains or furniture

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If there is a fire, you may have less than 3 minutes to get out of your home. Talk about what you should do to be safe. It's important to make sure everyone in your home knows what to do if there is a fire.

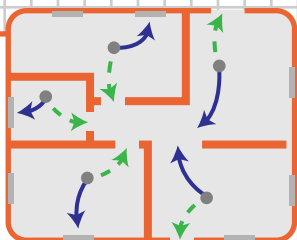
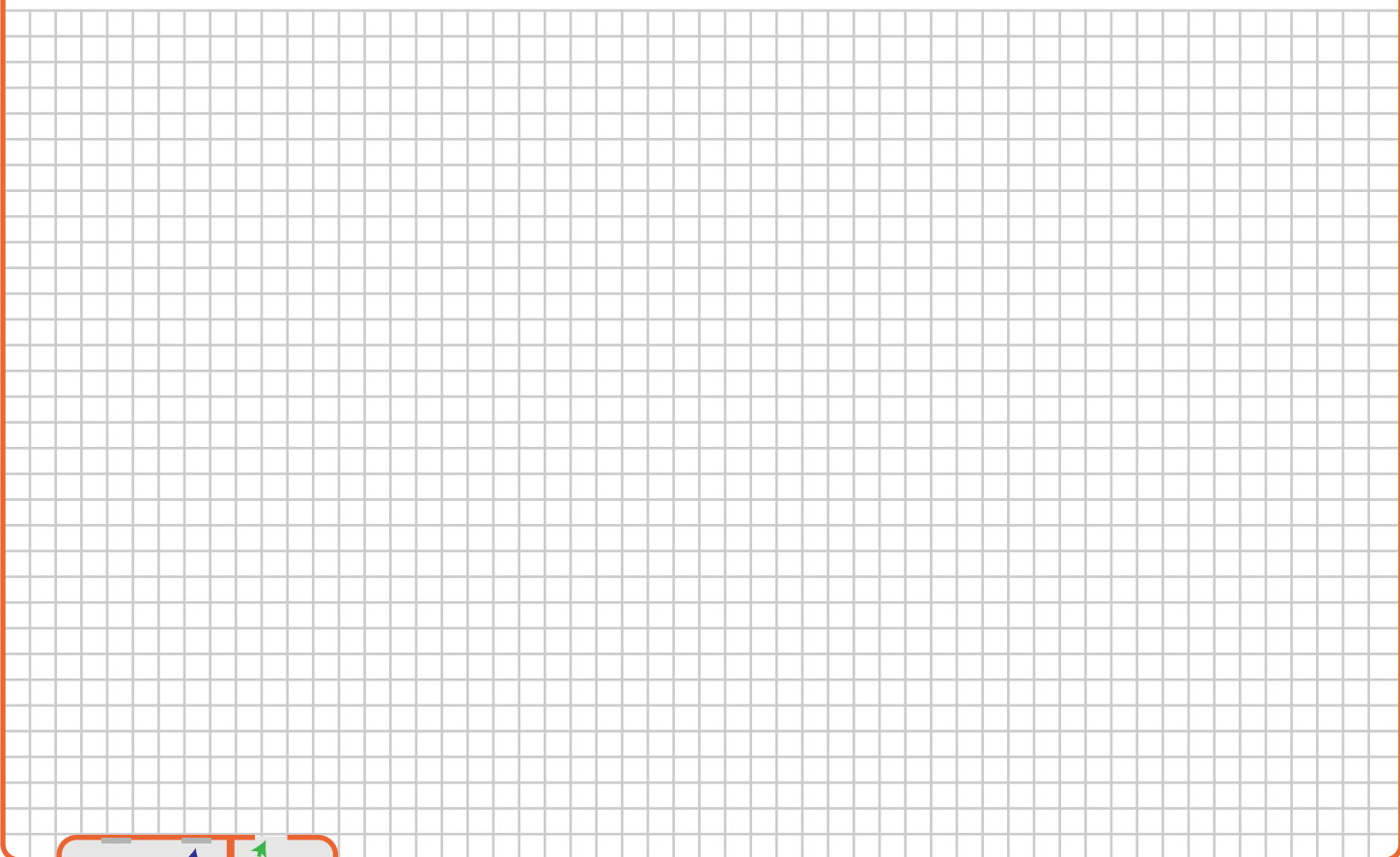
Customize your own fire escape plan:

- Draw a map of the floor plan of your home, show all stairs, windows and doors
- Identify the primary and alternate escape route for each room
- Designate a meeting place safely away from your home
- Practice your escape plan at least two times a year

Remember - once you exit the building, do not re-enter

OUR FIRE ESCAPE PLAN

- Primary escape route
- Alternate escape route



Example

Write your meeting place in the space provided below
