

HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST

MOST FATAL FIRES ARE RESIDENTIAL. YOU CAN PROTECT YOUR FAMILY, YOUR HOUSEHOLD AND YOUR PROPERTY BY FOLLOWING THE CITY OF GLENDALE'S HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST. THE FOLLOWING LIST CONTAINS RECOMMENDATIONS THAT COULD BE HELPFUL TO YOU.

- Outside Address** are easy to read from the street. Script numbers are hard to read from the street in an emergency. We suggest using 4" numbers, painted a contrasting color from the rest of your home.
- Do you have at least **two escape routes** planned from every room in your house and are babysitters briefed on these plans when they are there? If your house is two or more stories, do you have roll up **escape ladders** and does everyone know how to use them?
- Do you have working **Smoke and CO detectors** and are they placed in your house correctly?
- Are your **fire extinguishers** readily accessible and are they charged and checked yearly and are they properly placed for use?
- Have and know how to use a complete **First Aid Kit**.
- All fuses and breakers should be the designed size for the circuit. Also make sure that they have not been altered from the way they were designed.
- Make sure all electric and extension cords are in good shape and not ran under carpets and rugs. If possible, all electric should be on a GFI circuit or on a power strip with a built in GFI.
- All **lighting equipment** should have the right sized **bulbs** as marked.
- Is your **furnace and fireplace**, including the **flues**, checked and cleaned **yearly**? Do you have **portable space heaters** placed to close to combustibles and do they have **safety tip over switches**?
- Do not store **combustibles** within **12 inches** of stoves, furnaces, water heaters, fireplaces, or any other heat producing devices.
- Keep **stove and oven** units **clean** of drippings and grease.
- Always keep **pot and pan handles** turned inward so children cannot reach them.

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- Does your **fireplace** have a closed **spark screen** in front of it when the fireplace is in use?
- Store **Gasoline, Propane tanks,** and other **flammables** in a shed or detached garage. Never store in a basement and always keep in the **proper containers.**
- Make sure all **rags used with flammable liquids** are disposed of properly. While conducting work with flammables, make sure that the work is performed in a **well-ventilated area.**
- Keep **matches and lighters** up high and out of reach of children.
- Always check **sofas and chairs** for hot ashes and cigarettes after social gatherings.

If you have any questions regarding any of the listed safety recommendations, please feel free to contact us at the phone number above.