

HOME FIRE SAFETY QUICK CARD

Simple actions to protect people, pets and property before and during a fire

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FIRE: GET OUT. STAY OUT. CALL 911.

Do not investigate, collect belongings, silence the alarm or wait for a monitoring call.

IF AN ALARM SOUNDS OR YOU SMELL SMOKE | EXTINGUISHER? ONLY IF EVERY ANSWER IS YES

- 1 Treat it as real. Shout "Fire!" and start the escape plan. Do not search for the source.
- 2 Help assigned family members. Guide children and anyone needing assistance to the nearest safe exit.
- 3 Take a pet only if immediately reachable and it will not delay escape. Never search through smoke.
- 4 Stay low under smoke. Feel a closed door and knob; if warm or hot, use another way out.
- 5 Close doors behind you when doing so will not slow your escape.
- 6 Go to the outdoor meeting place and account for every person.
- 7 Call 911 from outside. Give the address, fire location, missing people or pets, and special hazards.
- 8 Stay out. Never re-enter. Tell firefighters who or what is missing and the last known location.

LEAVE EVERYTHING. Do not detour for a phone, keys, medication, ID, passports, valuables or emergency supplies. Take only what is already in your hand or directly on the safe exit path.

IF EVERY EXIT IS BLOCKED

- Close yourself in a room with an exterior window and stay low.
- Block cracks with cloth already at hand; do not leave to search for supplies.
- Call 911. Give your exact room and floor, then signal at the window.
- Do not jump unless emergency personnel direct you.

Clothing on fire? Stop, drop, cover your face and roll. Once safe, cool a thermal burn under clean, cool running water for about 20 minutes. No ice.

IF YOUR FIRE ALARM IS MONITORED: Monitoring provides a second path for help, but evacuate first and call 911 yourself from outside. Do not assume dispatch is complete. Answer a monitoring call only from safety.

- Everyone has been alerted and is leaving.
- Someone is calling the fire department.
- A trained, capable adult has the correct extinguisher.
- The fire is small, contained and not spreading.
- The air is clear enough to breathe and see.
- Your back stays toward a clear exit the entire time.

If any answer is no—or you are unsure—leave. If the first attempt does not put the fire out, drop the extinguisher and get out.

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SMALL PAN OR GREASE FIRE: If safely reachable, turn off the burner and slide a metal lid or baking sheet over the pan. Leave it covered until cool. Never use water. Never move the pan. If fire spreads, get out.

PREPARE NOW

- Alarms: Inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level, including the basement. Interconnect; test monthly; replace at 10 years.
- Escape: Plan two ways out of every room and practice in daylight and at night twice each year.
- Helpers: Assign an adult and backup to each child or person needing assistance.
- Extinguishers: Keep the correct listed unit visible near an exit—not next to the stove.
- Pets and records: Keep leashes/carriers near an exit; store documents in fire-resistant storage with secure digital copies.
- Prevention: Stay with cooking; keep 3 feet clear around heat; clean dryer lint; stop using damaged cords or batteries.

OUR HOUSEHOLD PLAN

Meeting place: _____

Home address: _____

General guidance: USFA, NFPA, Ready.gov and American Red Cross. Follow 911 and local fire department instructions.

EMERGENCY**CALL 911**

Evacuate first.
Do not wait for a monitoring call.

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