

## HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST

<b>PRE-FIRE PLANNING</b>	YES	NO
Have you planned at least two ways to get out of every room in your home?		
Do you keep exit routes clear in your home?		
Do you know how to notify your fire department quickly and correctly in case of fire?		
Do you have at least one fire extinguisher?		
Do you have working smoke detectors (check monthly and change batteries two times a year)?		
<b>HEATING AND COOKING</b>	YES	NO
Are furnaces, stoves and smoke pipes kept in good repair and located far enough away from combustible walls and ceilings so they they do not create a hazard? Use a fireplace screen to prevent sparks from flying.		
If you have portable space heaters in your home do you see that they are properly maintained and located? Keep portable space heaters away from people, curtains, and furniture.		
Do you have an annual inspection of your heating system? Have heating equipment checked and cleaned each year.		
When cooking do you wear tight-fitting clothing (so that sleeves don't get into things) and pull back long hair?		
Can you stop a cooking fire safely? Smother a pan fire with a lid. Never use water. If cooking oil starts to smoke, turn down the heat.		
<b>ELECTRICITY</b>	YES	NO
Do you see that extension cords are never run under rugs or hooked over nails? Avoid using extension cords wherever possible (especially small-wired cords used with high-wattage appliances).		
Have you checked to make sure that there are no power strips or extension cords plugged into each other?		
<b>GOOD HOUSEKEEPING</b>	YES	NO
Do you keep clutter cleaned out of the attic, basement, closets, garage and yard? Sort and remove rubbish. Don't store things near the furnace or heater.		
Are gasoline and other flammable liquids stored in safety cans, and kept well away from both heat and children? Move flammable liquids away from heat. Do not store flammable liquids in the home. Keep them outside and away from the house in a separate building. Don't fill a hot lawn mower or other motor; let it cool first.		