

FIRE PREVENTION SERVICES

Fire Prevention Checklist

Living Area:

- Is there a smoke detector on each level of your home and near each sleeping area?
- Are the batteries working?
- Do you test your smoke detector monthly?
- If you are hearing and/or vision impaired, do you have an appropriate smoke detector?
- Are all space heaters at least three feet away from everything, including you?
- Are all electrical cords and plugs in good condition?
- Do you have an escape plan?
- Have you practiced your escape plan?
- If you use a wheelchair or walking aid, have you checked each possible exit route carefully?
- Do you have a single box containing all-important papers in a safe place?
- Have you cataloged and updated your household inventory list for insurance claims?

Kitchen:

- Is there a fire extinguisher within easy access of the cooking area? Do you know how to use it? (Instructional Video available from Fire Prevention Services).
- Is the cooking area clean and free of clutter?
- Do you always remain in the kitchen while cooking?
- Do you wear snug fitting sleeves that won't catch fire while cooking?
- Do you turn off and unplug appliances when they are not in use?
- Do you clean appliances so grease cannot build up and catch fire?
- Do you turn pot and pan handles in toward the stove so they are not easily knocked over?

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Bedroom:

- Is there a flashlight near your bed?
- Are the batteries fully charged?
- Is there a whistle by your bed to warn others of a fire and alert rescuers of your location?

Bathroom:

- Do you always make sure curling irons and hot rollers are unplugged after each use?
- Is the water heater set at 120 degrees Fahrenheit or lower to prevent scalds and burns?
- Have you installed thermostatically controlled faucets and showerheads?

Garage:

- Are newspapers, empty boxes, paints, and gasoline cans stored away from heaters and outlets?
- Is gasoline stored in approved safety cans that prevent the escape of flammable vapors?

Before You Go To Bed or Lie Down To Rest:

- Did you fully extinguish all smoking material (cigarettes, cigars, etc.)?
- Did you turn off the oven and burners?
- Did you unplug the coffeepot?
- Did you fully extinguish all candles or oil lamps?
- Is your heating pad turned off?
- Did you leave one light on in the event you need to get up?
- Are your glasses near your bedside so you can see to escape and avoid injury?
- Are your house keys and car keys near your bedside so they are easily accessible?
- Are your doors locked?

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