

# FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST

Please check “Yes” or “No” for each of the following questions.

## Kitchen and Cooking Safety



Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you stay in the kitchen when food is cooking on the stove?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are pot handles turned inward so they can't be bumped off or overturned?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you make sure kitchen towels, pot holders and other things that can burn are kept away from the stove?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is a fire extinguisher within reach?

## Heating Safety



Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have your furnace and chimney professionally serviced each year?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you keep space heaters at least three feet away from things that could catch fire, such as furniture, curtains and papers?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does your fireplace have a sturdy screen to catch sparks?

## Smoke Alarms



Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are smoke alarms installed on each floor of your home, in hallways, inside bedrooms and outside all sleeping areas?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you test your smoke alarms weekly to make sure they are working properly?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you change the batteries in your smoke alarms every six months?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you replaced smoke alarms that are at least 10 years old?

## More Fire Safety



Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does your family practice a home fire escape plan regularly, both during the day and at night?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you douse cigarette and cigar butts with water before dumping them in the trash?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you careful not to leave burning candles unattended?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you careful not to overload electrical outlets, extension cords and power strips?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you check all wires and cords for damage and cover all unused electrical outlets?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you keep a fire extinguisher within easy reach on each floor?

**IF YOU ANSWERED “NO” TO ANY QUESTIONS, YOUR HOME MAY NOT BE FIRE SAFE.**

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# SMOKE ALARMS



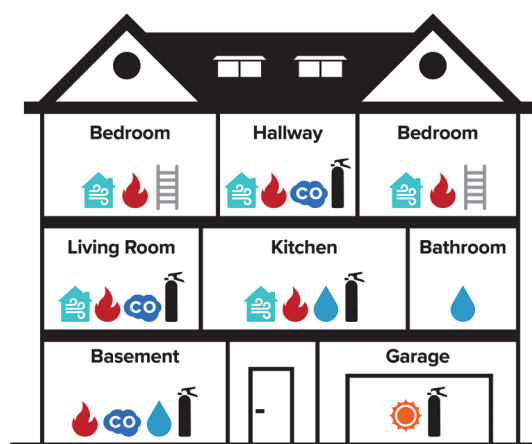
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## How to help protect your home

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### HAZARD TYPES

-  Indoor Air Quality Monitor
-  Smoke Alarm
-  Carbon Monoxide Alarm
-  Water Leak + Freeze Detector
-  Heat Alarm
-  Fire Extinguisher
-  Escape Ladder



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# FIRE ESCAPE PLAN



## Create an Escape Plan with your family

You may only have 2 minutes or less to escape a house fire once it starts.\* And according to the Red Cross, only **26%** of families have a fire escape plan in place. Take the time to make one – it can be a fun family activity!

- When escape planning, **remember the twos**:
  - Always know **2 ways out** of every room,
  - Practice **2 times per** year and
  - Practice **2 times of the day** – daytime and nighttime
- **Know who will assist** children and those with mobility/health issues
- Have **escape ladders** in upstairs rooms
- **Get Outside, Stay Outside**: Remember, if the smoke or CO alarm sounds, get outside and stay outside
- **Call 9-1-1**: Make sure everyone in your house knows how to

## The second way out is often a window

Two- and three-story escape ladders provide a quick and safe way for both adults and kids to get out if there are flames on the other side of the bedroom door.



## Don't forget Fur-Ever Friends

Teach everyone in the family what a smoke or carbon monoxide alarm sounds like and what to do if they hear one, which is: **Get outside and call 9-1-1!**

You can even teach your dog how to respond to an alarm.

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# FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

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- Only use your extinguisher after **making sure**:
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- Place a fire extinguisher **within easy reach** in rooms where fires are more likely to start such as the kitchen, living room and laundry room.
- Place a fire extinguisher in the bedroom for use in case you need to **create a path** to safety. Nearly half of all fatal fires occur during late night and early morning hours, when families are asleep.
- Choose a **multipurpose** extinguisher that is large enough to put out a small fire but not too heavy to handle.
- **Learn to use** a fire extinguisher properly.



## How to use a Fire Extinguisher

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## Safety Made Simple

# CARBON MONOXIDE SAFETY TIPS

Carbon monoxide (CO) is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths in America. The use of carbon monoxide alarms could potentially prevent many of these deaths. Learn how to prevent CO poisoning in your family and how to spot the symptoms before tragedy occurs.

### What is carbon monoxide (CO)?

Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless and tasteless poison gas that is produced by fuel-burning appliances such as furnaces, ovens, clothes dryers, water heaters, space heaters, fireplaces, charcoal or gas grills, and wood burning stoves.

If an appliance malfunctions or is improperly installed, CO can back up into the home, reaching dangerous levels and quickly cause injury or death.



### What are the symptoms?

Initial symptoms are similar to the flu with no fever and can include dizziness, severe headache, nausea, sleepiness, fatigue / weakness and disorientation.

CO is often called the “silent killer” because it is odorless, tasteless and colorless. In fact its symptoms are often misdiagnosed and many people don’t know they are suffering from CO poisoning.

For more information on fire & CO safety and prevention, visit [Kidde.com](http://Kidde.com), [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov), or [NFPA.org](http://NFPA.org).



## Protect your family from “THE SILENT KILLER”

### What you can do . . .

- Install at least one battery powered CO alarm or AC powered unit with battery backup on each level of your home and near sleeping areas.
- Have a licensed professional inspect the heating systems and other fuel-burning appliances in your home annually.
- Install fuel-burning appliances properly and operate them according to the manufacturer’s instructions.
- Have all fireplaces cleaned and inspected annually and keep chimneys clear of animal nests, leaves and residue.
- Do not block or seal shut the exhaust flues or ducts used by water heaters, ranges and clothes dryers.
- Do not leave your car running in an attached garage or carport.
- Be careful not to use ovens or stoves to heat your home.
- Do not use charcoal or gas grills inside or operate outdoors near a window where CO fumes could seep in.
- Test all carbon monoxide alarms in the your home weekly. Do they use the most accurate sensing technology? Do they need new batteries?
- Replace CO alarms every five years in order to benefit from the latest technology upgrades.
- Do not use generators or grills indoors during a power outage.



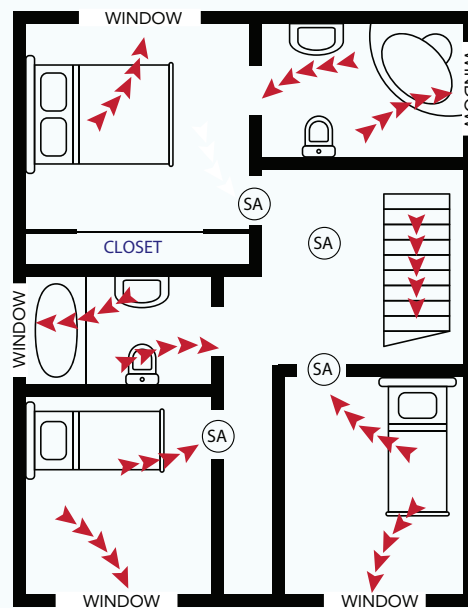
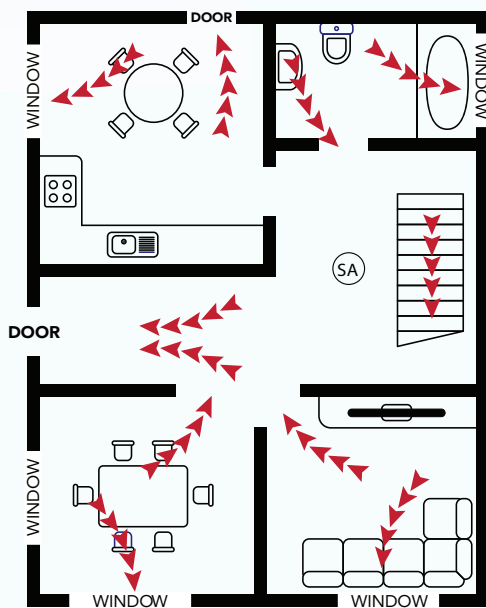
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# HOW TO MAKE A HOME FIRE SAFETY PLAN

- ☐ Draw a map of your home. Show all doors and windows.
- ☐ Visit each room. Find two ways out.
- ☐ All windows and doors should open easily. You should be able to use them to get outside.
- ☐ Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Push the test button to make sure each alarm is working.
- ☐ Pick a meeting place outside. It should be in front of your home. Everyone will meet at the meeting place.
- ☐ Make sure your house or building number can be seen from the street.
- ☐ Talk about your plan with everyone in your home.
- ☐ Make sure everyone in your home knows how to dial 911 or your local emergency number.
- ☐ Practice your home fire drill!
- ☐ Make your own home fire escape plan using the grid provided.

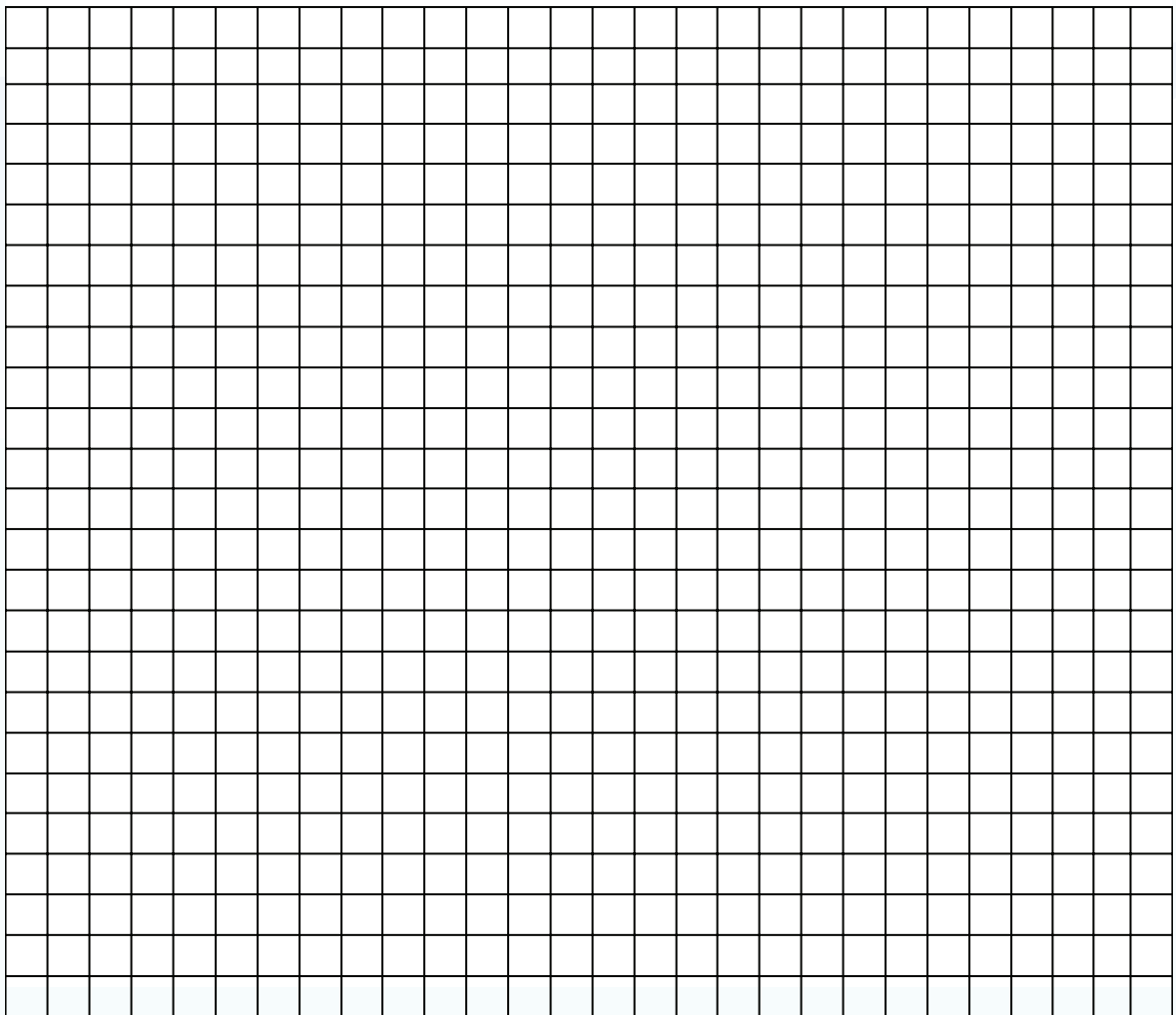
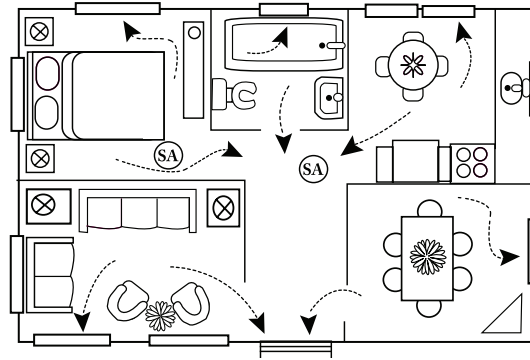


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## DRAW A FLOOR PLAN OR A MAP OF YOUR HOME.

- Show all doors and windows.
- Mark two ways out of each room.
- Mark all of the smoke alarms with SA . Smoke alarms should be in each sleeping room, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home.
- Pick a family meeting place outside where everyone can meet.
- Remember, practice your plan at least twice a year!







# FIRE SAFETY WORD SEARCH



Q	B	E	H	A	L	A	R	M	W
M	E	T	P	Y	K	X	G	G	Y
O	E	N	R	Z	O	A	R	J	U
U	P	E	S	C	A	P	E	E	K
T	S	Y	K	D	Q	C	I	X	Y
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D	B	S	M	O	K	E	L	C	R
E	O	V	G	Z	F	M	A	I	E
L	A	D	D	E	R	N	N	V	H

Alarm  
Fire  
Smoke  
Outside

Exit  
Plan  
Safety

Beeps  
Escape  
Ladder





# FIRE SAFETY CROSSWORD

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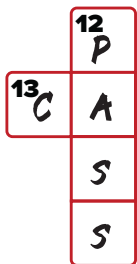
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It only takes a few minutes to install or test a smoke alarm, develop and practice an escape plan, or learn to use a fire extinguisher. Learn what you can do today to protect your family and home, tomorrow.

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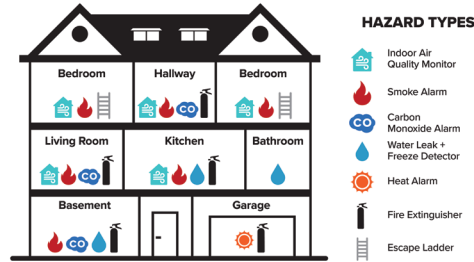


**S**

Sweep from  
side to side.



## How to help protect your home



## The Power to Protect

Founded by Walter Kidde, a pioneer in early smoke detection and fire suppression, Kidde is one of the world's largest manufacturers of fire safety products. Each day, we work to expand upon our legacy of innovation, providing advanced solutions to help protect people and property from fire and related hazards.

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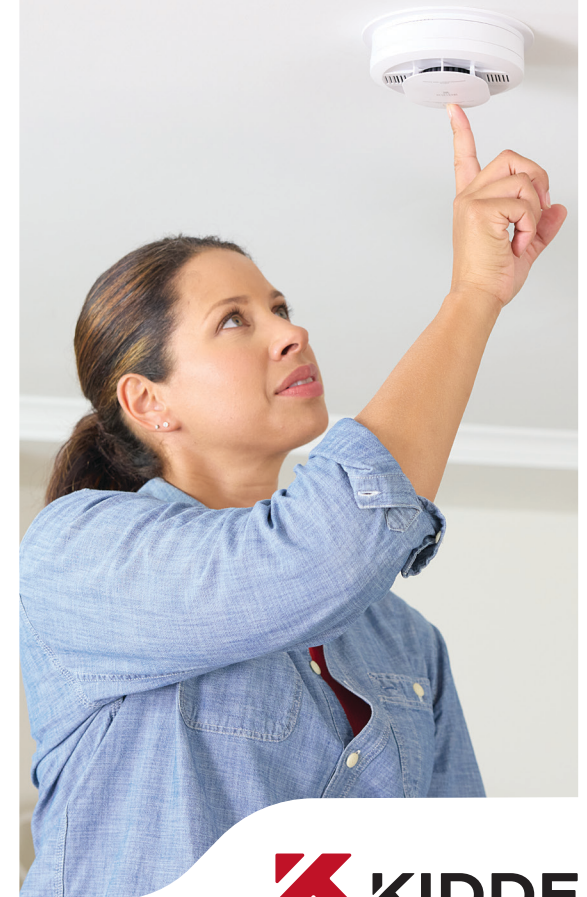


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## Other Fire Safety Tips

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