



#### Get Ready to Keep Your Home and Family Safe

- Buy a smoke detector (alarm) and put it close to the bedrooms in your home.
- Test your smoke detector to be sure the battery works. Do this on the first day of each month.
- Put a new battery in your smoke detector every year when Daylight Savings Time starts and ends (in April and October).
- Plan how you and your family will get out of your home if there is a fire. Practice the plan with your family.

#### In the Kitchen

- Buy a fire extinguisher and keep it near the kitchen, but away from the stove.
- Never leave the kitchen while food is cooking on the stove.
- Don't leave grease containers on or near the stove.
- Keep potholders, dishrags and paper towels away from the stove.

#### Smoking

- Never smoke in bed or while napping in a chair or sofa!
- If you smoke, never leave a cigarette burning in an ashtray.
- Dip cigarette butts and matches in water before throwing them in the trash.
- Before you leave a room, check your sofa and chairs for cigarettes that may have been dropped.
- Keep lighters and matches away from children.

#### Heaters and Candles

- Keep space heaters and candles at least three feet away from curtains, beds, blankets and furniture, and other items that may catch fire.
- Never let children use or play with heaters, candles or anything that burns.
- Make sure children keep their toys and clothes far away from heaters or anything that gets hot.

#### Other Dangers In and Around Your Home

- Don't plug too many things into one electrical outlet.
- Don't put extension cords under rugs or carpets.
- Liquids like gasoline, kerosene or paint thinner are dangerous because they catch fire quickly.
  - Don't store any liquid items like that near where you live.
  - Keep liquids that can catch fire only in approved metal containers.
  - Don't store liquids that can catch fire in glass or plastic containers.



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**KEEP YOUR FAMILY ALIVE.  
 PREVENT HOME FIRES.**

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