



Kimball Township Fire Department

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RESIDENTIAL Fire Safety Worksheet

EXTERIOR SURVEY

- Are the house numbers plainly visible from the street?
- Are exit doors free from obstruction by (snow, storage or equipment etc.)?
- Are fire hydrants located on the property free from obstruction and visible?
- Are security lights free from animal nesting material?
- Is combustible storage kept away from exit doors and windows?
- Is firewood kept out of garage and away from ignition sources
- Are security bars around windows or doors? If so, can they be opened from the inside?
- Is gasoline stored up off the floor in the garage and away from ignition sources?

FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT

- Have you tested your smoke detectors to assure operational status?
- Have you developed a Home Fire Escape Plan for your family?
- Do you practice the plan with your family annually?
- Have you tested your smoke detectors while family members are asleep to determine if they can hear the audible warning?
- Have you replaced your smoke detectors after 10 years of use?
- Have you replaced the batteries in your smoke detectors annually?
- Has the fire protection system been inspected, serviced and annual maintenance performed by a licensed/qualified technician? *{Monitored Detection and Sprinkler Systems Only}*

INTERIOR SURVEY

- Are all exits and exit pathways clear and unobstructed?
- Is there a minimum of 36-inch clearance around all heating appliances and gas fired water heaters?
- Has your gas fired furnace been inspected by a qualified technician to prevent carbon monoxide build-up by cracked heat exchangers or leaking fittings?
- Is all storage kept in a neat and orderly manner away from heat sources such as light fixtures, heating appliances, fireplaces, wood stoves and electrical supply panels?
- Are there any holes in the ceilings or walls that could expose combustible wood or allow for fire spread into the attic or walls?
- Are electrical extension cords used to provide power to equipment? If Yes, extension cords are not permitted to be used as a replacement for permanent power supply. Listed multi-plug strip plates are permitted for use when additional outlets are needed.

Interior Survey (Continued)

- Are appliance cords free from fraying, crimping and kept from under table or furniture legs and carpeting?
- Are there cover plates on all electrical light switches, outlets and supply panels?
- Are the circuit breakers or fuses in your service panel of the proper sizes/capacity for the service provided?
- Is the heating and air conditioning unit cleaned and new filters installed on a regular basis?
- Has your fireplace chimney been cleaned within the last two years?
- Do you burn only seasoned dry wood in your fireplace or wood stove?
- Do you keep a close eye on materials cooking on the stove or in the oven?
- Are bedroom doors closed while family members sleep?
- Are seasonal decorations kept away from ignition sources like fireplaces, stoves or heating appliances?
- Are listed cords for outside use used for exterior decorations and or lighting?
- Are smoking materials or candles extinguished before leaving the home or going to bed?

Comments:

Links

Home Fire Escape Plan

http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/citizens/all_citizens/home_fire_prev/escape/
<http://www.nfpa.org>