



Lenexa Fire Department Home Fire Safety Checklist



Smoke Alarms

- Yes/No** We have one smoke alarm on every level of the home and inside and outside each sleeping area.
- Yes/No** We test and clean our smoke alarms every month.
- Yes/No** All of our smoke alarm batteries have been replaced in the last year.
- Yes/No** All of our smoke alarms are less than 10 years old.

Cooking Safety

- Yes/No** Our cooking area free from items that can catch fire.
- Yes/No** An adult always stays in the kitchen when the stove is being used.

Electrical & Appliance Safety

- Yes/No** We do not have any electrical cords under rugs.
- Yes/No** Our electrical cords are not frayed or cracked.
- Yes/No** All of our appliances are plugged directly into wall outlets.
- Yes/No** Our clothes dryer lint filter and venting system are clean.

Candle Safety

- Yes/No** Our candles are in sturdy, fire-proof containers that won't be tipped over.
- Yes/No** We always put out candles before going to bed or leaving the room.
- Yes/No** We never leave children and pets unattended with candles.

Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Yes/No** We have a carbon monoxide alarm on each level of our home.
- Yes/No** Our carbon monoxide alarms are less than 7 years old.

Smoking Safety

- Yes/No** All of my family members who smoke only buy fire-safe cigarettes and smoke outside.
- Yes/No** All matches and lighters are secured out of children's sight.
- Yes/No** Our ashtrays are large, deep, and kept away from items that can catch fire.
- Yes/No** The ashtrays are emptied into a container that will not burn.

Heating Safety

- Yes/No** Our chimney and furnace are cleaned and inspected yearly.
- Yes/No** Our furniture and other items that can catch fire are at least 3 feet from fireplaces, wall heaters, and space heaters.
- Yes/No** Our fireplace and barbecue ashes are placed outdoors in a covered metal container at least 3 feet from anything that can catch fire.
- Yes/No** We never use extension cords with space heaters.
- Yes/No** Our heaters are approved by a national testing laboratory and have tip-over shut-off function.

Home Escape Plan

- Yes/No** My family knows two ways out of each room.
- Yes/No** My family knows to crawl low to the floor when escaping to avoid toxic smoke.
- Yes/No** We know if there's a fire in our house we get out and stay out.
- Yes/No** Our meeting place is near the front of our home so firefighters know where we are.
- Yes/No** Everyone in my family knows where our meeting place is.
- Yes/No** We practice our fire escape plan.

Every "no" answer endangers your home and loved ones and should be corrected IMMEDIATELY!

Contact the Lenexa Fire Department Prevention Division with any questions.

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