

Home Fire Safety Checklist

Hiles Volunteer Fire Department

Outside

- Easy access for emergency vehicles
- Roof clear of needles, etc.
- Spark arrester on chimney
- Brush and leaves away from house
- Limited landscaping near house
- Wood piles not near house

Auxiliary Structures (garage, storage, etc.)

- Safe storage of flammable liquids
- No excess rubbish, trash, newspapers, etc.
- No accumulation of oily rags

Inside

Electrical

- Fuses/circuit breakers are labeled
- Fuses/breakers appear to be of proper size
- Safe use of extension cords
- Circuits not overloaded
- Wiring appears to be in good condition

Heating

- Wood stove properly installed - good condition
- 36" from all combustible materials
- Chimney cleaned and inspected as required
- Proper ash removal
- Proper use and location of any kerosene heaters
- Proper venting of gas heaters
- Flammable materials and liquids not near gas heaters
- Electric space heaters - 36" away from combustibles
- Fire place is protected with a screen - no combustibles nearby
- Furnace properly installed and maintained
- LP tanks are secure

Cooking

- No flammable materials near range
- Stove tops and counters uncluttered
- Pot handles turned in while cooking

Appliances

- Cords in good condition
- Clothes dryer - vent ok and clear of lint
- Lint screen cleaned after every use
- Combustibles away from gas HWH

Smoke Alarms

- Installed and maintained on each level, each bedroom
- Sleep with BR doors closed?

Fire Extinguishers

- Installed near an exit
- Inspected monthly

Escape Plan Exist?

- Two exits from each house location
- Meeting place outside
- Headcount
- Fire drills held?
- All exits are clear?
- Escape ladder for upper stories