

Home Fire Prevention Checklist



The Northern Illinois Chapter of the National Fire Sprinkler Association recommends you use this handy Home Fire Prevention Checklist to make your home more fire safe. Please print it out and post it for your family to read.

- Put smoke detectors near bedrooms, away from air vents, at least one per floor.
- Check smoke detector batteries weekly.
- Post emergency phone numbers near each telephone.
- Keep your kitchen and hallways well-lit.
- Clear doors, hallways and stairs of obstructions.
- No flammable materials should be stored within three feet of space heaters, fireplace or stove.
- No flammable liquids should be stored near ignition sources.
- Replace frayed or cracked electrical cords.
- Do not put electrical cords under rugs, over nails or in high traffic areas.
- Do not overload electrical outlets or extension cords.
- Residential fire sprinklers are a proven way to protect your family.
- Make sure all fuses in fuse box are the correct size.
- Make sure all outlets have cover plates and no exposed wiring.
- Do not hook up alternate heaters to extension cords.
- Do not place alternate heaters where they can be knocked over.
- Keep a fire extinguisher handy in the kitchen.
- No grease should be on the stove or oven.
- Set a rubberized floor mat in front of a stove to prevent slipping.
- Do not use dish towels as pot holders.
- Do not set ashtrays on sofa or chair arms or near beds.
- Keep chimneys clear of debris.

