

Cooking Checklist

- ✓ An adult stays in the kitchen when food is being fried, grilled, or broiled.
- ✓ The stovetop is clean — no grease, no spills, no clutter.
- ✓ Pot handles are turned toward the back of the stove.

Electrical Checklist

- ✓ Electrical cords are in good condition — not damaged, cracked, or loose.
- ✓ Ground-fault circuit interrupters (GFCIs), which reduce the risk of shock by shutting off electricity when it becomes a shock hazard, are hard-wired into the electrical system or built into electrical outlets or extension cords. GFCIs are installed in bathrooms, basements, garages, outdoors, at kitchen counters, and other locations in the home where there are sinks or basins.
- ✓ Arc-fault circuit interrupters (AFCIs), a type of circuit breaker that shuts off the electricity when a dangerous condition occurs, have been installed in the home. Arcs can happen at loose connections or where wires or cords have been damaged. This can lead to high temperatures and sparking, possibly igniting things that can burn.
- ✓ A qualified electrician is called to do electrical work in the home.



Smoking Checklist

- ✓ Smokers smoke outside.
- ✓ Deep, sturdy ashtrays are provided for smokers.
- ✓ Matches and lighters are kept up high, in a locked cabinet.

Heating Checklist

- ✓ Space heaters are at least 3 feet from anything that can burn (walls, curtains, bedding, and furniture).
- ✓ The chimney has been inspected or cleaned in the past 12 months.
- ✓ The heating system has been inspected or cleaned in the past 12 months.
- ✓ The fireplace has a sturdy screen to catch sparks.
- ✓ Carbon monoxide alarms are located outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.

NFPA Fast Fact:

Roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths result from fires in homes with either no smoke alarms or alarms that were not working.

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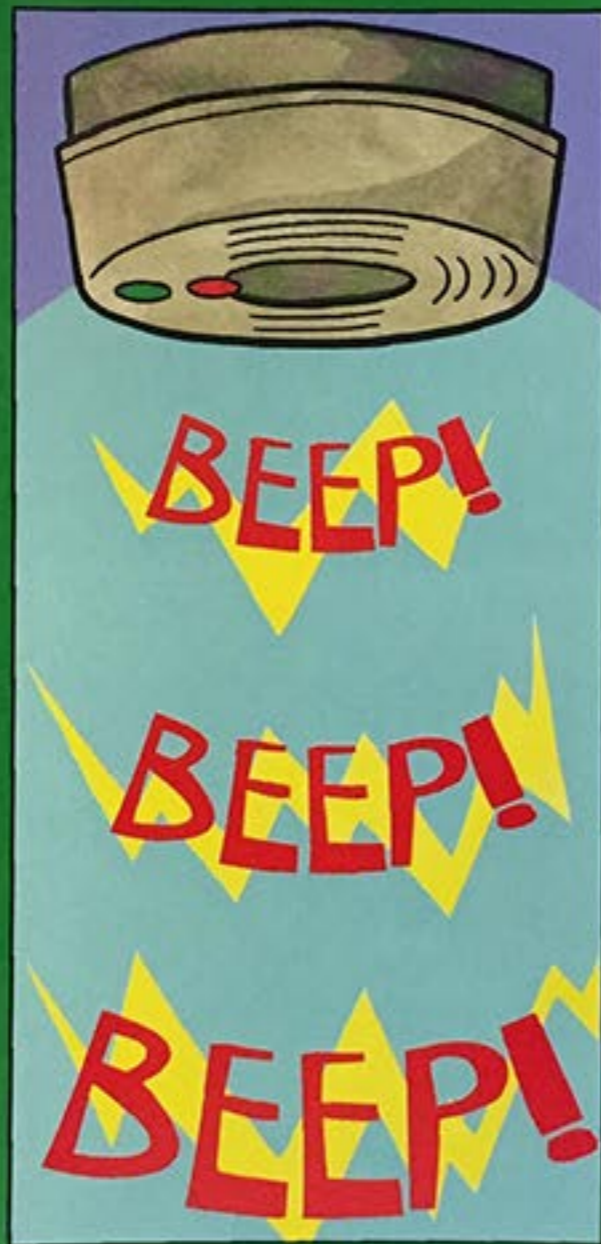
NFPA Fast Fact:

Heating equipment fires and deaths peak in the months of December, January, and February.

A home structure fire is reported on average every 83 seconds.

Checklist for keeping your family safe from fire

- ✓ Smoke alarms are installed on every level (including the basement), inside each bedroom, and outside each sleeping area.
- ✓ For the best protection, all smoke alarms in the home are interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.
- ✓ All smoke alarms are tested at least once a month by pushing the test button.
- ✓ Everyone in the home understands the warning of the sound of the smoke alarm and knows how to respond.
- ✓ All smoke alarms are less than 10 years old.
- ✓ The home escape drill is practiced twice a year.
- ✓ A residential fire sprinkler system has been installed in a newly built or remodeled home.



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