Don't Let Your World Go Up In Smoke.

Home Fire Safety Tips For New Parents

Have a fire escape plan.
Very young children will need you to get them to safety in a fire. If your alarm sounds, take action immediately.

U.S. Fire Administration

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Fire is **Everyone's Fight** ™

Learn more about fire prevention: www.usfa.fema.gov

You have a new baby!
There's no better time to make fire safety a top priority.

Congratulations! As you prepare a cozy nest for your new little one, make sure it is as safe as can be from fire. Children under the age of 4 are at a higher risk of death or injury from a home fire than older children.
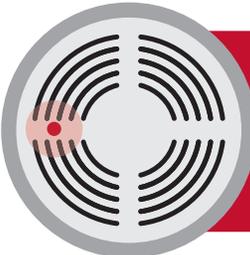

Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms give you an early warning of a fire. Your home needs working smoke alarms. Most children who die in fires live in homes without working smoke alarms.

✓ Smoke Alarm Checklist
Ask yourself if these statements are true in your home.

- ☐ You have smoke alarms on every level of your home.
- ☐ You have smoke alarms inside and outside of all the sleeping areas.
- ☐ All of your smoke alarms work.
- ☐ You test your smoke alarm each month.
- ☐ Your smoke alarms are less than 10 years old.
- ☐ Everyone knows the sound of the alarm.

Have working smoke alarms.
Most children who die in fires live in homes that don't have working smoke alarms.

Fire Escape Planning and Practice

In a fire, every second counts. Having a plan can save your life. Talk with your family about what to do if there is a fire. Know two ways out from each room. Know how you will get your baby out in an emergency.

✓ Fire Escape Checklist
Ask yourself if these statements are true in your home.

- ☐ You have a fire escape plan for your home.
- ☐ You know two ways out of every room.
- ☐ You know the best way to take your baby outside if there is a fire.
- ☐ You practice the plan with everyone who lives in your home at least twice a year.
- ☐ You have a meeting place outside.
- ☐ Everyone knows how to call 9-1-1 from outside to report a fire.
- ☐ You know not to go back inside until the firefighters tell you it's safe.