



# McMechen Volunteer Fire Department

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## HOME FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST FOR ONE & TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS

<b>PLAN TO BR FIRE SAFE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Do you make sure matches and smoking materials are out before disposing of them?		
Is "No Smoking in Bed" a rule in your home?		
Do you read the warning labels on aerosol cans? Some propellants are highly flammable.		
If you have a family member using oxygen at home, do you prohibit smoking in the same room with oxygen equipment?		
<b>ELECTRICAL HAZARDS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Are there enough electrical outlets in every room to avoid the need for multiple attachment plugs and long extension cords?		
Do you have special circuits for heavy-duty appliances such as air conditioners?		
Are all extension and appliance cords checked frequently for wear?		
Do you avoid draping wires and extension cords over pipes or nails?		
<b>PLAN TO GET OUT ALIVE</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Do you have a home fire escape plan with a pre-determined Location to meet outside?		
Is there at least one smoke alarm, on each floor, in your home?		
Do you test your smoke alarms monthly?		
Is the battery replaced yearly?		
Is your smoke alarm less than 10 years old?		
<b>HOUSEKEEPING HAZARDS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Do you keep your basement, closets, and attic cleared of combustible materials?		
If you store paint, varnish, etc., do you keep the metal containers tightly closed?		
Has everyone in your family been warned never to use gasoline or other flammable fluids for cleaning anything indoors?		
<b>HEATING AND COOKING HAZARDS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Do you always turn off portable heaters when you go to bed?		
Do you always refill the fuel tank of your portable heaters outdoors?		
Do you see that every portable heater is placed well away from curtains, bedding, furniture, etc.?		
Is your kitchen range, including the oven and broiler, kept clean of grease?		
Are curtains near kitchen ranges and heating equipment arranged so that curtains do not blow over or near the stove?		
Does your family's everyday cooking habit include not leaving food on the stove unattended and keeping pot handles turned in from the stove's edge?		
<b>SPECIAL FOR PARENTS</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Do you keep matches out of the reach of children?		
Do you leave a responsible person with your children when you go out (even for a short period of time?)		
When you employ a babysitters do you instruct them what to do in case of fire or medical emergency?		
Do you keep candles away from children, combustibles and never leave candles unattended or burning while sleeping?		

**FOR FIRE OR MEDICAL EMERGENCY, DIAL 9-1-1**