

Fire Prevention Brochures – Child Safety

Fire Prevention Canada and the government of Canada (Citizenship and Immigration Canada) are making available a brochure on Fire Prevention Child Safety in 12 languages, aimed to instruct immigrants to Canada to keep their families fire-safe.

Photo illustrated on glossy stock, each is in one of these languages: English, French, Spanish, Korean, Urdu, Farsi, Punjabi, Arabic, Mandarin, Cantonese, Tamil, Russian. Each brochure is 6 pages. The reverse includes the logos of Fire Prevention Canada and Citizenship and Immigration Canada and has a space to overprint your logo, stamp or information. You may reprint the brochure in any quantity you need for your jurisdiction with credits given to the two original sponsors or reprint. Journalists may use the material under the same condition.

You may order a set of the twelve brochures directly from Fire Prevention Canada by mail for \$17.55 which includes shipping, handling and taxes. (P.O. Box 37009, 3332 McCarthy Road, Ottawa, Ontario, K1V 0W0)

For additional information on services offered by National Fire Prevention Association visit: www.nfpa.org



Smoke Alarms Save Lives

Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out.

Here's what you need to know!

A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every

sleeping room and outside each separate sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home.

Smoke alarms should be interconnected. When one sounds, they all sound.

Large homes may need extra smoke alarms.

Test your smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to be sure the alarm is working.

There are two kinds of alarms. Ionization smoke alarms are quicker to warn about flaming fires. Photoelectric alarms are quicker to warn about smoldering fires. It is best to use of both types of alarms in the home.

When a smoke alarm

sounds, get outside and stay outside.

Replace all smoke alarms in your home every 10 years.

More information about Fire Prevention can be found at: <http://www.nfpa.org/public-education/>



Fast Facts About Fire

Here are some fast facts about Home fires as listed on the National Fire Prevention Association website.

Half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. Only one in five home fires were reported during these hours.

One-quarter of home fire deaths were caused by fires that started in the bedroom. Another quarter resulted from fires in the living room, family room or den.

Three out of five home fire deaths happen from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

In 2015, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 365,500 home structure fires. These fires

caused 2,560 deaths, 11,075 civilian injuries, and \$7 billion in direct damage.

On average, seven people die in U.S. home fires per day.

Cooking equipment is the leading cause of home fire injuries, followed by heating equipment.

Smoking materials are the leading cause of home fire deaths.

Most fatal fires kill one or two people..

During 2010–2014, roughly, one of every 338 households reported a home fire per year.

For more information about fires and education tips on how to educate your family visit: www.nfpa.org

Smoke Alarms

Be aware of the condition of your smoke alarm and ensure it is working properly and the batteries are replaced regularly.

Three out of five home fire deaths in 2010-2014 were caused by fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms.

Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half.

In fires considered large enough to activate the smoke alarm, hardwired alarms operated 94% of the time, while battery powered alarms oper-

ated 80% of the time.

When smoke alarms fail to operate, it is usually because batteries are missing, disconnected, or dead.

An ionization smoke alarm is generally more responsive to flaming fires and a photoelectric smoke alarm is generally more responsive to smoldering fires. For the best protection, or where extra time is needed to awaken or assist others, both types of alarms, or combination ionization and photoelectric alarms are recommended.

Fire Prevention Week Quiz Answers

Here are the answers to the quiz on Page 9.

Answers are listed in the same order as the questions: True / A smoke alarm inside the room that is interconnected to the other smoke alarms in the home / Never go back into a burning home for any reason / Twice a year / Kitchen / All of the above / React immediately, get outside and stay outside / Home fire sprinklers / Home fire sprinklers / Three of every five (60%) / 84% / Find exits, check for clear exit paths, plan an outside meeting place and have a communication plan / Working smoke alarms, two ways out of each room, and an outside meeting place / Tree / Unattended cooking



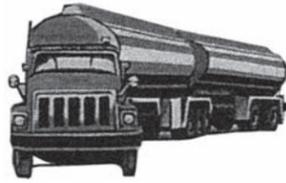
HOW YOU COMPARE TO OTHERS?

Check out how well you scored. Of the 4,129 people who took the on-line quiz at: www.nfpa.org website 447 scored 90-100%; 409 people scored 80-89%; 1,311 scored 70-79%; 604 scored 60-69%; 825 scored 50-59%; 204 scored 40-49%; 161 scored 30-39%; 138 scored 20-29%; 14 scored 10-19% and 16 scored 0-9%.



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Fire Prevention – Escape Planning

To protect yourself, family and friends develop an escape plan.

According to an NFPA survey, only one-third of Americans have both developed and practiced a home fire escape plan.

Almost three-quarters of Americans do have an escape plan; however, less than

half ever practiced it.

One-third of survey respondents who made an estimate thought they would have at least 6 minutes before a fire in their home would become life threatening. The time available is often less. Only 8% said their first thought on hearing a smoke alarm would be to get out!

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