

CONCORD TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR YOUR HOME

Fire Prevention Tips

Install Smoke Alarms

- Place on every level, inside bedrooms, and outside sleeping areas.
- Test monthly and replace batteries twice a year.

Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- Install in sleeping areas.
- Colorless, Odorless, lethal gas.

Electrical Wiring & Appliances

- Avoid overloading outlets.
- Replace frayed cords and unplug unused devices.
- Use certified electrician for all electrical work.
- Keep space heaters 3 feet away from anything that can burn.

Cooking Safety

- Leading cause of all home fires in the U.S. (48%)
- Stay in the kitchen while cooking.
- Keep flammable items away from the stove.
- Turn pot handles inward to prevent spills.
- Consider under-the-hood automatic extinguisher systems in kitchen.

Home Oxygen

- **2022** - 150 people died in home fires in Ohio over half, 80, on oxygen.
- **Deadliest cause of death in Ohio: house fires.**
- Oxygen accelerates combustion—just a spark near oxygen tubing can cause devastating burns or death.
- The Ohio State Fire Marshal offers free oxygen shut-off devices to families using oxygen at home.

Store Flammable Materials Properly

- Keep gas, paints, and cleaning agents in ventilated areas away from heat sources.
- Clean Dryer Vents!
- Clean the lint trap before every load.
- Inspect and clean dryer vents regularly.

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Emergency Preparedness

Know How to Call 911

- Teach children how and when to call emergency services.

Create a Home Fire Escape Plan

- Identify two exits from every room.
- Practice with everyone, including children and pets.
- Designate a meeting spot.
- Choose a safe location outside the home to meet.
- Practice drills twice a year.
- Conduct day and night drills.
- Consider Fire Escape Ladders

Have Fire Extinguishers Accessible

- Keep in kitchen, garage, and near exits.
- Learn how to use (PASS: Pull, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep).

Display House Numbers Clearly

For Additional Questions or Assistance

If you have questions about fire safety, smoke alarms, oxygen use, or need help making your home safer,

Please contact the **Concord Township Fire Department**
Professionally providing quality service

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