



How to Make a Home Escape Plan

Fire Escape Planning

You can protect yourself and your family by preparing and practising a home fire escape plan. It only takes a few minutes of time – but it can prevent panic in case of fire. Here's how to do it:

- Draw a floor plan of your home to show every exit from every room. Each room should have two.
- Make sure your family knows to leave the house immediately if they hear the smoke alarm going off or hear someone shouting “fire!”
- Set up a meeting place outside your home in case of fire. This will ensure that you know who is out of the building, and who is still inside.
- Call 911 after you are outside.
- Have a family member to meet the firefighters when they arrive in case they need information on the fire or on family members.
- Make sure no one re-enters the burning building.

And Practise Your Escape Plan

Practice prevents panic! Children will follow a fire drill if they have been prepared ahead of time. Make sure every family member knows what to do in an emergency and is familiar with your fire escape plan.

