FIRE SAFETY TIPS



Here are some simple things you can do to lower your risk of being victim to a house fire:

- □ Install and maintain smoke alarms in kitchen, laundry room, garage, and in each bedroom.
- Test smoke alarms every month and replace batteries twice a year—when you change your clocks in the Fall and Spring.
- □ Replace smoke alarms after 10 years of service.
- $\hfill \Box$ Install a fire extinguisher and learn how to use it.
- Don't leave burning candles unattended and be sure to extinguish cigarettes fully.
- Ensure electrical wiring and extension cords don't run under rugs, over nails, or in high traffic areas, and that they are replaced if frayed or cracked.
- □ Keep matches and lighters away from children.
- □ Store paint thinners and gasoline in regulation containers away from heat sources.
- Use outlet surge protectors for electronic equipment.
- Portable electric heaters should have safety-certification label from a testing organization, such as UL (Underwriting Laboratories), and should be turned off when you are asleep or not at home.
- □ Keep all objects at least 3 feet away from space heater.
- □ Have fireplace and chimney cleaned and inspected annually.
- □ Add a secure screen to your fireplace.
- □ Keep stairways clear.
- □ Ensure all windows can be opened easily.
- If you have double-cylinder deadbolts on your doors, keep the keys where all family members can quickly reach them in the event of fire.
- Clean dryer vent regularly and lint filter after each use.
- Clean range hoods and vents regularly.
- □ Install individual shut-off valves for gas appliances.
- □ Consider installing a central station fire alarm. We offer significant discounts for homes protected by alarm systems and/or automatic fire sprinklers.
- Prepare and regularly update a Home Inventory List, photographing or videotaping the contents of every room, including the garage, for your records. Keep these records off the premises or in a safety deposit box.

To file a claim:



File a claim online at **floridafamily.com** or call 888.486.4663. Claims Representatives are available 24 hours a day to assist you.



Make any temporary repairs necessary to protect your home and property from further damage, such as general cleanup, placing a tarp over roof damage to prevent leaks, etc. Make sure to save the receipts for anything you purchase.



Take photos of anything that may need to be disposed of prior to your Adjuster's visit.



In the event your home is uninhabitable, contact a member of our Claims Department for an explanation of your policy's living expense allowance.

Record your policy information so it is easily accessible:

Policy number:				^	
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Other important websites and phone numbers:

Home Maintenance & Loss Prevention Tips: FloridaFamily.com/resources
Pre- & Post-Disaster Support: FEMA.gov
Emergency & Natural Disaster Prep Resources: Ready.gov
Information resource on fire, electrical, and related hazards: NFPA.org

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