

KIDS AND PARENTS SAFETY CHECKLIST

Pacific County Fire District 1 is asking everybody to practice fire safety.



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Sparky's Safety Checklist for Kids!

If Fire Strikes...

- ✓ Stay Low! If your house fills with smoke, crawl low.
- ✓ Feel the door! If it's hot, find another way out.
- ✓ Get out and stay out! Once you have escaped, never go back inside a burning building. Get out first, then go to a neighbor's house to call 911.
- ✓ Never Hide! Don't try to hide from fire, you have to get out as soon as you can.



If Your Clothes Catch on Fire...



Stop



Drop



Roll

Have an Escape Plan...

- ✓ Know two ways out of every room.
- ✓ Identify a meeting place a safe distance from the home.
- ✓ Practice the plan- Have a parent push a smoke alarm button to start the drill, get out fast and head to the meeting place.



If you have an emergency, always

**CALL
9-1-1**



Safety Checklist for Parents...



Safety in the Home:

- ✓ Make sure all doors and windows open easily.
- ✓ Practice your family's escape plan.
- ✓ Never leave cooking food unattended. Cooking is the number one cause of home fires in the United States.
- ✓ Keep all combustible materials at least three feet from space heaters. This includes walls, curtains, bedding and furniture.
- ✓ Chimneys should be cleaned once a year.
- ✓ Never leave burning candles unattended.
- ✓ Dryer vents need to be kept clean.
- ✓ Don't overload electrical circuits.
- ✓ Multi-plug electrical adapters need to be fused or have a circuit breaker.
- ✓ Smoking should be done outside. Smoking is the number one cause of home fire deaths in the United States.
- ✓ Matches and lighters should be kept out of reach of children.
- ✓ If your home is equipped with fuel-fired appliances such as heating or cooking devices that burn propane or natural gas, install a carbon monoxide detector outside each sleeping area.



Smoke Alarms Save Lives:

- ✓ Smoke alarms should be installed in every bedroom and outside each sleeping area.
- ✓ Test your smoke alarms once a month.
- ✓ Replace the batteries once a year.
- ✓ Vacuum your smoke alarms to prevent nuisance alarms and keep them working properly.
- ✓ Smoke alarms should be replaced every ten years.



Safety Outside the Home:

- ✓ Make sure your home has a clearly visible address.
- ✓ To increase the safety of your home during a brush fire, keep a defensible space of at least 30' around your home.
- ✓ If you have a pool, make sure it has an adequate barrier such as a fence that remains locked when the pool is not in use.
- ✓ Never leave children unattended in or near a pool.



Children and Fire:

- ✓ Children account for approximately 250,000 fires annually.
- ✓ Children under 5 make up approximately 40% of juvenile fire setters.
- ✓ Lighters and matches are tools only adults can use. Teach children the difference between a tool and toy.