

HOME FIRE SAFETY



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Shenandoah County Department of Fire and Rescue is dedicated to making sure every citizen in or passing through our county stays as safe as possible. SCFR have gathered the most important information to keep your family safe at home. We hope you read and talk about all the topics covered in this booklet with your family. If you have questions feel free to contact our office and we will help you any way we can.

Sincerely,

Gary Yew
Fire and Rescue Chief and
SCFR Staff

When to call 911...



Medical emergencies

Fire emergencies

Police emergencies

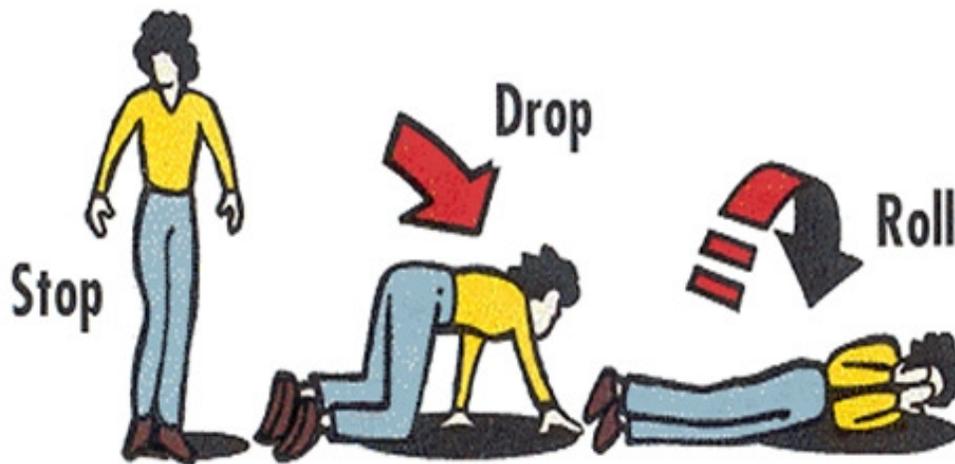
Remember to stay calm, answer all the dispatcher's questions and remain on the line until you are advised to hang up.

Matches and Lighters...



Are dangerous and should be kept away from children. Place these types of items in a container and on a high shelf where they cannot be easily found by children.

If your clothes catch on fire...



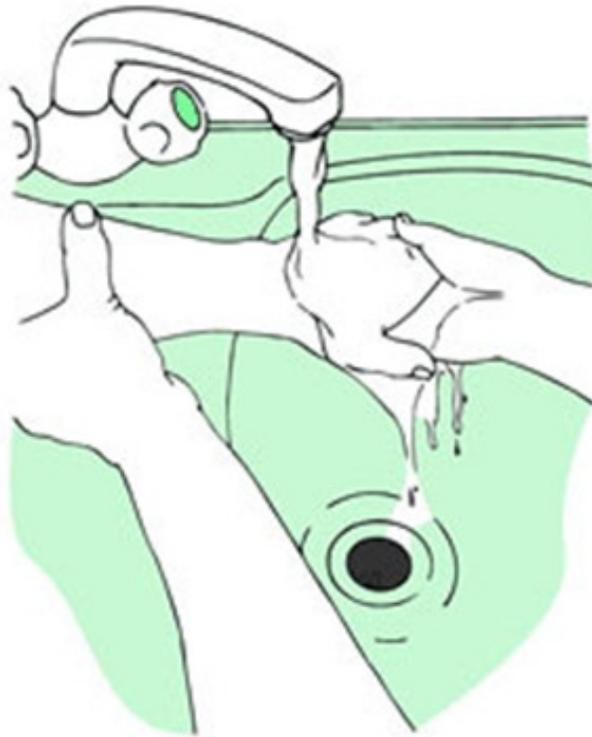
Stop what you are doing
Drop to the floor
And roll back and forth until the flames
are extinguished.

Hot food and liquids can burn...



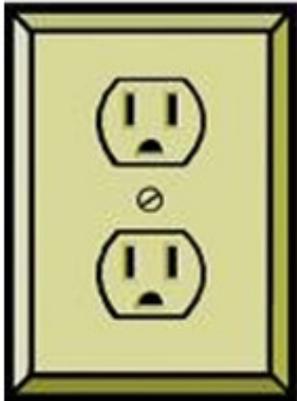
Coffee, tea, hot food and even bath water can burn the skin. Keep pot handles turned toward the inside of the stove. Remember to test your child's bathwater before getting in.

Cool a burn...



Run cool water over a burn for a few minutes. Call 911 if medical attention is needed.

Electrical outlets...



When not in use should have safety plugs in each slot. Remember not to overload the plugs. It can cause a fire.



Extension cords...



Should not be overused or used for a long period of time. Check your extension cords for any fraying and if they are frayed discard them immediately. Do not place extension cords or any cords under rugs.

If there are smokers in the household...



Be sure they use deep heavy ashtrays that will not tip over. When disposing of cigarettes wet all materials before throwing in the garbage.
Absolutely NO smoking in bed.

Candles...



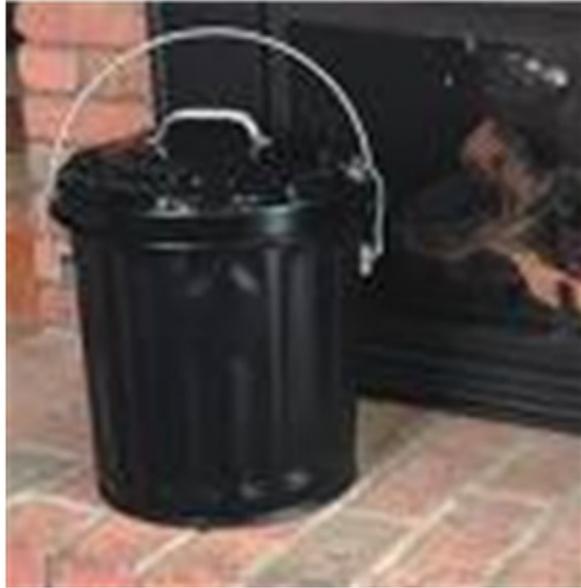
Should be kept away from flammable materials and always blown out when you leave the room.

Space Heaters...



Need to be kept at least 3 feet away from any flammable material. Buy heaters that will turn off when tipped over.

Ashes...



Should be placed in a metal container
with a lid to prevent fires.

Smoke Detectors...



Are a life saving tool. One should be placed on every floor of your home and inside and outside of the bedrooms.



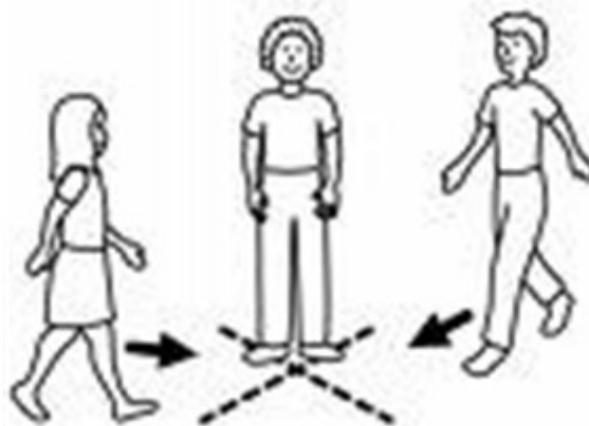
Test your smoke detectors once a month.
Use a broom handle if you cannot reach it.
Change the batteries once a year.

Clean your smoke detectors regularly
with a broom or vacuum.

Escape Plan...



Create an escape plan with your family and practice it.



Choose a safe meeting place.