

Gilbert Fire & Rescue

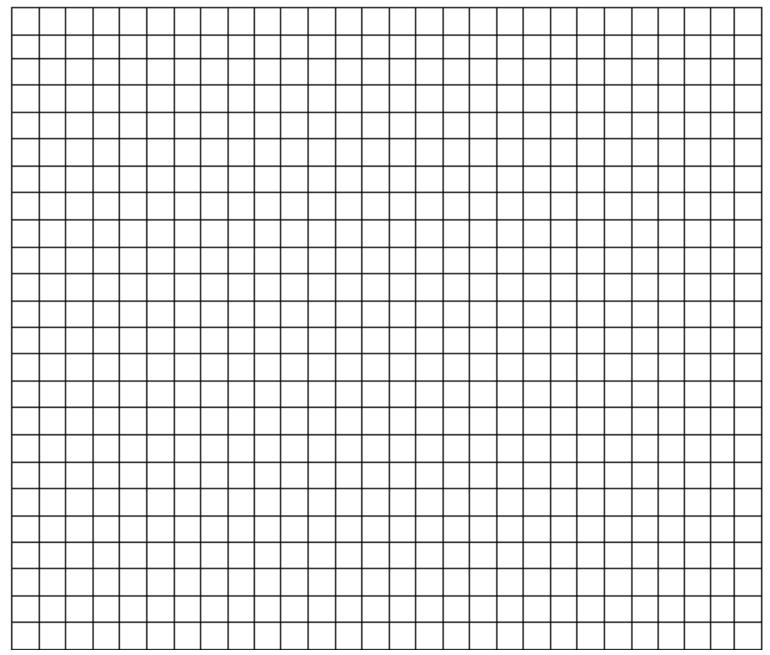
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Escape Plan
MAKE a home escape plan . Draw a map of your home showing all windows & doors . Discuss your plan with everyone in your home.
KNOW at least two ways out of every room. Make sure all doors and windows leading outside are easy to open.
HAVE an outside meeting place (like a tree, light pole, or mailbox) a safe distance from your home where everyone will meet.
PRACTICE your home escape plan at least twice a year during the day & at night. Don't forget to sound your smoke alarms during your drill. This will help your family recognize the sound during an emergency.
Smoke Alarms INSTALL smoke alarms in every bedroom. They should also be outside each sleeping area and on every level of your home - even in your basement.
CHANGE the batteries in your smoke alarms once a year .
TEST your smoke alarms once a month .
CLEAN your smoke alarms with canned air or a vacuum at least twice a year .
REPLACE your smoke alarms every 10 years .
Housekeeping
NO smoking in bed or while laying down .
SECURE matches and lighters out of the reach of children.
STORE paint, varnish, and other flammables in sturdy metal containers in a cool dry place.
DISPOSE of ashes from fireplaces, grills, and cigarettes when they are completely cooled down , in a metal container.
LIGHT candles only when someone is able to keep an eye on them , and when placed in a sturdy holder away from items that can burn.
Heating & Cooling
TEST your heater and air conditioner by powering the units on before you need them.
CLEAN your air filters & vents immediately after you turn your heater or AC on.
CHANGE your AC air filters monthly.
TURN off portable heaters when you leave a room and before you go to bed.



Home Fire Escape Plan

- Draw a map of your home. Don't forget to show all doors & windows.
- Mark two ways out of each room.
- Mark all of the smoke alarms with (SA). Smoke alarms should be on every level of your home. Make sure there is an alarm outside every sleeping area.
- Pick a family meeting place outside where everyone can meet.
- Remember, practice your plan at least twice a year!



Grown-Ups: Children don't always wake-up when your smoke alarms sound. Know what your child will do **before** a fire occurs!

Sound your smoke alarms when you practice your home escape plan.