



Home fire safety checklist

How prepared are you for a house fire?

Answer these questions to find out, and keep this checklist handy as a reminder of what you can do to help keep your home safe.

| | Yes | No |
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| 1. Is there a smoke alarm in your home? Do you test it every month? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Do you replace the battery annually or when the low battery alarm activates? Use a significant date like April 1st to remind you to change your smoke alarm battery | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Is your house number easy to see so emergency vehicles can find you? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Do you have the emergency phone number '000' keyed into all your phones? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Does everyone know how to 'Stop, drop, cover your face with your hands and roll' if clothes catch fire? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Has your household made and practised a home fire escape plan? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Have you planned a safe meeting place outside? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Do you have a fire extinguisher in your home? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. Is your home protected by an electrical safety switch? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. Are the keys kept in or near exits with deadlocks? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Do you always have electrical repairs, alterations or renovations done by a qualified electrician? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. Do you avoid overloading power points? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. Are flammable liquids stored away from heaters, hot water service pilot lights and other naked flames? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. Do you avoid pouring flammable liquids in high risk areas – such as refuelling a lawn mower near a hot water service? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. If you live in the colder parts of the NT, is your electric blanket switched off before you get into bed? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. Do you always use a fire screen with an open fire? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17. Are heating appliances kept safely away from laundry, curtains and furniture? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18. Are matches and cigarette lighters kept out of the way of children? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 19. Do you clean the lint filter of your clothes dryer after each load? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20. Does everyone know the cold water first aid treatment for burns? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Total number of 'yes' answers | <input type="text"/> | |

What did you score? Every 'Yes' scores a point.

16 to 20: Well done. You are giving yourself the best chance of protecting your life and property from a house fire. Keep it up!

10 to 15: Not bad. But there are still several things you can do to decrease the likelihood of fire.

Less than 10: The potential for fire in your household is dangerously high. You need to be far more fire aware and act now to better protect your home and your family.



**Every fire service in Australia endorses photo-electric alarms
as the preferred smoke alarm for your home**

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