



# Is Your Home Fire Safe?

## FIRE SAFETY TIPS FOR INSIDE YOUR HOME

Have you given your family the best chance of surviving a house fire?

- Have at least one installed and operating smoke alarm on each level of your house
- Know two safe ways out of every room in your house
- Have a written escape plan in case of fire, and practice it regularly with all household occupants
- Ensure that keys to all locked windows and doors are accessible in case you need to escape

**DID YOU KNOW**

*It only takes three minutes for a fire to take hold!*



*Simple home fire safety tips you should follow are:*

- Test smoke alarms regularly and change the battery at least once every 12 months.
- Have a licensed electrician check your wiring and install a safety switch.
- Don't overload power points and switch off household appliances when not in use.
- Never smoke in bed.
- Never leave open fires unattended and always screen with a proper fireguard.
- Heaters should be kept at least one metre from curtains, furniture and other flammable items.
- Never place clothing over heaters.
- Keep matches and lighters out of the reach of children.

**House fires can cause serious injury or death, and can destroy your most cherished possessions and home.**

**The area of the house where most fires occur is the kitchen, followed by the lounge and bedrooms.**

PREPARE.

ACT.

SURVIVE.

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