

## FIRE PREVENTION AT HOME AND AT WORK

If a fire were to break out in your home - would you know what to do? Where to go? What if you were at work? The National Fire Protection Association works to bring awareness to the importance of fire prevention and emergency planning, because in a fire, every second counts - it can mean the difference between life or death. Here's a list of what you can do to prevent and prepare for a fire both at home and at work.

### At home:

- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas, and test every month.
- Draw a map of your house with all members of your household. Mark two exits from each room and a path to the outside from each exit.
- Practice your home fire drill twice a year. Conduct one at night and one during the day with everyone in your home, and practice using different ways out.
- Teach children how to escape on their own in case you can't help them.
- Make sure the number of your home is clearly marked and easy for the fire department to find.
- If a fire occurs, get out and stay out.
- Close doors behind you as you leave to help slow the spread of smoke, heat, and fire.
- Once you get outside, stay outside. Never go back inside a burning building.

### At work:

- Keep your work area free of waste paper, trash and other items that can easily catch fire.
- Check on your electrical cords. If a cord is damaged in any way, replace it. Try not to lay cords in places where they can be stepped on, as this will contribute to deterioration of the protective outside coating.
- Don't overload your circuits.
- Turn off electrical appliances at the end of each day.
- Keep heat-producing equipment away from anything that might burn, such as copiers, coffee makers, computers, etc.
- Close doors when exiting to help limit the spread of smoke and fire throughout the building.
- Never use elevators during an evacuation.
- Follow the escape plan and meet at a predetermined place outside of your building and away from danger. Conduct a headcount to ensure all of your staff has evacuated.

Remember, **ALWAYS** call 911 immediately when you notice a fire and don't hang up with the emergency responder until told to do so.

For more information on the best safety training procedures, contact Evolved safety at **844.528.4486** or **info@evolvedsafety.com**.

### Focus on Training with Us

If you'd like to take your fire prevention awareness to another level, let's talk about training. Evolved Safety works with several vendors that offer specific training on Fire Safety, Fire Prevention, and First Aid as well as a number of other related training topics, such as Emergency Preparedness. If you're not sure what to look for, we also offer a free consultation should you have any questions about what kind of training you need to use.

Take a look at available formats:

- Interactive Online Training and Management
- DVD & Streaming Video
- Onsite Training and Consulting

**Remember, every second counts in a fire. Let us help you focus on fire safety in your workplace.**

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