



HOME SAFETY SURVEY

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Cooking

- The cooking area, including on top of the stove and in the oven, is free from all items that can burn.
- Pots on the stove are not left unattended while cooking, remember "Keep an Eye on What You Fry."
- The oven is never used to heat the home.
- Cooking vents are cleaned per manufacturer's directions.
- Charcoal and gas grills are only used outdoors and at least fifteen (15) feet from the home, deck or garage.

Smoking Safety

- House rules include not smoking in bed or while lying down.
- Ashtrays are large, deep and kept away from any items that can burn.

Heating

- Baseboard heaters do not touch any furniture, curtains or other items stored on the floor.
- Chimneys and heating systems are inspected, cleaned and repaired annually prior to the heating season.
- The area around the furnace is clear of all items that can burn.
- All portable heaters are placed at least three (3) feet from furniture, walls or bedding.
- Portable heaters are plugged directly into wall outlets and turned off when you leave the room.
- Every fireplace is equipped with a sturdy metal screen.

Electrical & Appliances

- Extension cords are not used as permanent wiring and multi-plug adapters are not overloaded.
- Extension cords used are not tacked to walls, run under rugs, or through doorways.
- Safety covers are present on all outlets if small children are present.
- Appliances are plugged directly into wall outlets.
- Clothes dryer lint filter and venting system are clean.

Housekeeping

- Matches and lighters are kept out of reach of children in a secure place.
- Paint, varnish and other flammable are stored in sturdy metal containers and in a cool place.
- Ashes from fireplaces & barbecues are only disposed of in metal containers stored away from things that can burn.
- Candles are placed in sturdy holders away from children, pets or things that can burn.
- Candles are extinguished before leaving the room or going to bed.

Smoke Alarms & Carbon Monoxide Alarms

- Smoke alarms are installed on every level of the home and in every bedroom.
- Smoke alarms are tested monthly and vacuumed regularly.
- Carbon monoxide alarms are located on every level of the home.
- Alarm batteries are changed twice a year, unless equipped with a 10-year lithium battery.
- All alarms are less than 10 years old.

Escape Plan

- Have a plan of escape showing two ways out of every room and an outside meeting place.
- You regularly practice your escape plan by having fire drills with everyone in your home.
- Your address numbers are clearly visible from the street in all directions.
- Have ABC rated Fire extinguishers which should only be considered for use by adults on small fires after calling 911.

Thank you for taking the time to participate in Clay Fire's Home Safety Survey Program.

For additional questions or concerns call Community Risk Reduction Division (574) 272-2144 for assistance.

