



Course: Public Safety  
Section: Firefighting



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# Family Emergency Plan

## What You Will Do

Perform a safety inspection of your house and develop an emergency plan for your family in case of fire or natural disaster.

## Materials You Will Need

- Pencil or pen
- Notebook
- Colored pencils/markers (optional)

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## Why a Family Emergency Plan is Important

A family emergency plan is crucial to ensure safety, facilitate rapid communication, and enable quick, calm decision-making when disasters strike. It reduces fear and confusion by establishing predetermined meeting spots and evacuation routes, ensuring family members can reconnect if separated.

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## Safety Inspection

- Walk through your home and check each area for possible hazards.
- Create a chart and record what you find.

### Areas to inspect:

- Kitchen
- Living room
- Bedrooms
- Bathrooms
- Hallways
- Garage/Basement
- Outside Exits

### What to look for:

- Smoke alarms installed and working
- Clear exits and doorways
- No overloaded outlets
- Fire extinguisher location
- Safe storage of cleaners/chemicals
- Flashlights available
- First aid kit location
- Loose rugs or tripping hazards
- Emergency numbers posted

### Example Chart:

Area	Hazard Found	How to Fix It
Kitchen	Towel near stove	Move towel away from heat
Hallway	Shoes blocking exit	Store shoes in closet
Kitchen	No extinguisher	Purchase fire extinguisher

# Emergency Plan

## Step 1: Escape Routes

Draw a map of your home with:

- Main exit
- Second exit
- Safe meeting place outside

## Step 2: Emergency Contacts

- Parent/Guardian phone numbers
- Trusted neighbor or relative
- Emergency services (911)

## Step 3: Emergency Supply Kit

List 5 items your family should have:

- Water
- Flashlight
- Batteries
- First aid kit
- Important documents

## Step 4: Family Responsibilities

Who will:

- Help younger siblings?
- Grab emergency kit?
- Call for help?
- Check pets?

## Step 5: Family Meeting

- Make a copy of the emergency plan for each member of the family.
- Call a family meeting and discuss the plan so everyone knows what to do.
- Perform a practice emergency drill. Drilling makes sure that everyone performs their responsibilities automatically during a real emergency.

