




# Sagamore Hills Township

## Fire Safety Checklist

Keep your home free of fire hazards. If there is anything you cannot check off on this checklist, correct it to keep your family safe as possible from fires.

-  Keep all lighters and matches in a locked or high cabinet and teach children not to play with them.
-  Educate children to stay away from hot things on the stove or outside grill. Turn pot handles toward the back of the stovetop.
-  Use outlets safely. Do not overload them or plug more than one extension cord into each.
-  If you have very young children, place childproof plugs in any unused sockets.
-  Replace all frayed, cracked, or broken electrical cords.
-  Keep portable heaters at least three feet away from anything that can burn. Let children know that they shouldn't touch or play near them.
-  Unplug small appliances when not in use.
-  Install smoke detectors on every level of your home and near each bedroom. Let children help you test them monthly.
-  Place fire extinguishers on every level of your home, especially in the kitchen, basement, and garage. Keep out of children's reach.
-  Have a fire escape plan with two ways out of each room and a safe place where everyone is to meet. Practice your escape plan with your family often.
-  Make sure all exits from rooms have nothing blocking them. Know what task each family member has in a fire escape plan.
-  List emergency numbers near each phone. Teach children to dial 9-1-1 in an emergency.
-  Teach children to **STOP, DROP, and ROLL** if their clothes catch on fire.

*Print out this checklist and review it on a regular basis.*