

# Home Fire Safety Check List

Please complete this list and keep it safe, if you need any more information about keeping safe at home then please visit [www.northantsfire.gov.uk](http://www.northantsfire.gov.uk)

Read the advice and draw the correct emoji in the box.



Yes—it's good



No—needs action



Don't know—I'll check the website

Our tip	Check here to see if your home is safe	Draw your emoji here
 <p>Fit smoke alarms</p>	<p>Is there at least 1 working smoke alarm on each floor of your home?</p> <p><i>Smoke alarms should be on the ceiling.</i></p> <p>Do you test your smoke alarms each week?</p> <p><i>Batteries should be changed every year unless it is a 10 year sealed battery alarm. Alarms should be replaced every 10 years.</i></p>	
 <p>Take care with hot oil</p>	<p>Is your oven and hob clean and in good working order?</p> <p><i>A build up of grease/oil can start a fire.</i></p> <p>Do you check to make sure that your cooker is turned off after you have finished cooking?</p> <p><i>If you use a chip pan or hot oil for cooking:</i></p> <p><i>Do not fill chip pans or hot oil pans more than one third full.</i></p> <p><i>Concentrate when cooking and avoid being distracted by others.</i></p>	
 <p>Don't overload</p>	<p>Have you checked that your electrical sockets are not overloaded?</p> <p><i>One plug to one socket.</i></p> <p>Do you unplug and switch off electrical appliances when you are not using them and before you go to bed at night?</p> <p><i>Never use damaged plugs or flexes or run electrical cables under carpets/rugs they can fray and become dangerous.</i></p> <p>For further advice please go to <a href="http://www.esc.org.uk">www.esc.org.uk</a></p>	

	<p>If anyone in your family smokes inside the home, do they use a proper ashtray?</p> <p><b>Never smoke in bed.</b></p> <p>Smokers should always take extra care when they are tired, drinking alcohol or taking prescription drugs.</p> <p><b>KEEP LIGHTERS AND MATCHES AWAY FROM CHILDREN.</b></p>	
	<p>Do you use candles or tea lights?</p> <p><b>Never leave candles or tea lights unattended.</b></p> <p><b>Always use in a heat resistant holder.</b></p> <p><b>Do not leave candles or tea lights near children, pets or anything flammable e.g. curtains.</b></p>	
	<p>Do you close all internal doors at night to stop fires spreading?</p> <p>Do you know where your door and window keys are if you need them in an emergency?</p> <p><b>Make sure your exit routes are clear.</b></p> <p><b>Check that all cigarettes and candles are extinguished before you go to bed.</b></p>	
	<p>Do you have an escape plan in case there was a fire at your home?</p> <p>Would everyone in the family know what to do?</p> <p><b>Make an escape plan, talk about it together with your family and practise it.</b></p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>999/HOAX CALLS</b></p> <p>Do you know the number to call for any of the Emergency Services?</p> <p>Does everyone in your household know your full address?</p> <p><b>You must be in a safe place to call us, get outside first.</b></p> <p>Do you know that making a hoax call is very dangerous and could cost lives?</p> <p><b>Hoax calls can be traced and the consequences can be serious.</b></p>		



Thanks for completing the list!

Make sure your parents or guardians read the advice in red to help keep your home safe.

