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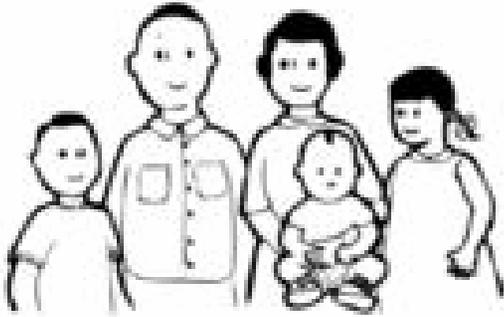


*A Guide to Home Fire Safety*



"Making Whitehouse a safer place to live and work"

## Helpful Safety Hints



*The goal of the Whitehouse Fire Prevention Bureau is to make Whitehouse a safer place for its residents and businesses.*

- A reflective sign is useful in the event of an emergency when fire-fighters may need to be able to quickly identify an address.
- A proven fact is smoke detectors save lives! A smoke detector is needed on every level of the house, especially outside sleeping quarters. Be sure to change the batteries at least twice a year. A good rule of thumb is to change your batteries when you change your clocks.
- If you have a two story home, a fire escape ladder should be located in all bedrooms on the upper level.
- Fire extinguishers should be located in the kitchen and garage areas.
- Extension cords overdraw electrical sockets. A safer alternative to extension cords are fused power strips.
- Chimneys should be cleaned annually.
- Do not store any combustibles within 36" of your furnace or hot water heater.

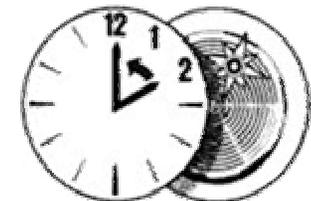
## Home Fire Escape Plans

- All families should have and practice fire escape drills. In the event of a real emergency this may help save a life!
- Be sure to have at least two escape routes out of each room.
- Have a designated meeting area where all members of the family will meet when out of the house. *Remember: once you've escaped, never re-enter the house!*

For a free guide on more considerations, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau.

**If you would like to have a home fire safety inspection completed by the Fire Prevention Bureau, please contact us. This is a free service to the public.**

**CHANGE YOUR CLOCK**



**CHANGE YOUR BATTERY**