



# Armada Township Fire Department

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## Fire Safety Tips

### 1. Plan an escape route

Make a home escape route plan including at least two ways of escape from each room and hold regular fire drills with everyone in your household. Make sure to have a common meeting place outside of the home and never go back inside. When escaping a fire remember to crawl low under smoke and feel doors for heat with the back of your hand, if you feel heat look for another escape route.

### 2. Install Smoke Detectors

Install smoke detectors on every floor of your home. If possible, there should be one inside and one outside of every bedroom. Test smoke detectors every month and replace batteries at least once a year. Every household should have at least one carbon monoxide detector.

### 3. Keep matches and lighters out of sight and reach of children

If possible store lighters and matches high in a locked cabinet.

### 4. Cook with care

Never leave cooking unattended and make sure cooking area is kept clean.

### 5. Use caution with space heaters

Keep areas with space heaters neat and without clutter ensuring there is nothing that can burn placed within 3-5 feet of space heater including furniture, blankets, curtains, and paper products.

### 6. Maintain wood stoves and chimneys

Have a certified service person inspect and clean your chimney or wood stove each year.

### 7. Stop, Drop, and Roll

If your clothes catch on fire, stop and drop to the ground. Roll around until the fire is completely out and then call 911.

### 8. Do not overload extension cords or wall sockets

Never run electrical cords under rugs or carpet.

### 9. Never leave lit candles unattended

Keep candles away from items that can burn such as bedding or curtains and make sure candles are placed on a surface where they cannot tip over.

### 10. Do not smoke carelessly

Never smoke while in bed or resting where you may fall asleep. Make sure to never leave burning cigarettes, pipes, or cigars unattended.