

Apartment Fire Safety Self-Inspection Checklist

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Fire Safety Checklist Items	Yes	No	Not Applicable	Comments
DO you have a working smoke alarm outside every sleeping area and on every level of the unit?				
DO you have a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm in dwellings that may have a source of CO such as an attached garage, fuel burning appliances, or a fireplace?				
DO you test your alarms at least once a week?				
DO you replace batteries when you change your clocks in the Fall or when the low battery alarm sounds?				
DO you vacuum the alarms periodically to keep them free of dust?				
DO you have flashlights available in case of a power outage?				
Do you have spare batteries on hand for flashlights and smoke alarms?				
DO you have a fire escape plan with a predetermined meeting area?				
DO you practice your plan?				
DO all your windows open easily without keys or tools especially in the bedrooms?				



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DO extension cords run only one appliance? Are cords used only for temporary applications and not a replacement for permanent wiring?				
ARE all extension cords in good condition and rated for the load it is carrying?				
ARE electric space heaters kept at least 3 feet from combustibles such as curtains and furniture?				
ARE your apartment and storage areas free of flammables and combustibles such as gasoline or propane?				
DOES your apartment door have a self-closing device and does the door latch when it closes?				
ARE all common stairwells and hallways free of storage or trash?				

If you answered "NO" to any of the questions above, you need to correct the problem as soon as possible. Failing to address the problem significantly increases your exposure to a fire and dramatically increases your potential for loss of life. If you need assistance or have any fire or life safety questions, contact the Fire Marshal's office at 860-644-2511 X217.