

DESIGNING AN ESCAPE PLAN

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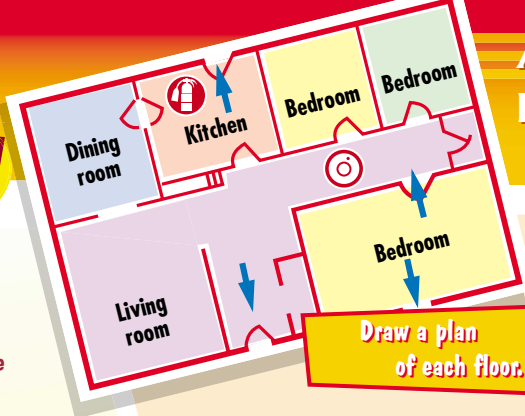
- Draw a plan of your home and involve everyone who lives there in its preparation, including children.
- If possible, plan for two exits per room and the routes to take to safely exit your home.
- Indicate the location of smoke alarms and portable fire extinguishers.

- Plan for how you will evacuate young children and elderly or disabled persons.
- Decide on one meeting place outside, usually at the front of your home.
- Teach children and babysitters which emergency number to dial, generally 9-1-1.

9-1-1

- If you are a tenant in a building, check the evacuation procedures drafted by the property owner. If the building does not have an evacuation plan, discuss this with the property owner.

Preparing an escape plan improves your chances of emerging safely from a fire. Practice a home fire drill with children often. It's important!



Draw a plan of each floor.

A SAFE EVACUATION IS

easy!

When a smoke alarm sounds, exit immediately and take the following precautions:

- Feel the door with the back of your hand before opening it. If it is hot, use another exit. If that is not possible, attract attention out of a window (wave a towel, sheet, etc.)
- If possible, alert other occupants while evacuating.
- Crawl on your hands and knees below smoke to avoid inhaling noxious gases.
- If your clothing catches fire: stop, drop and roll.
- Everyone should go to the designated meeting place to check if anyone is missing.
- Ask someone to call the firefighters (9-1-1 or another number).
- Never re-enter a building to save someone else, an animal or personal effects. Wait for firefighters to arrive.

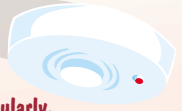
Each member of the family should know what to do in the event of fire. Visitors and babysitters should also know.



HOME SAFETY IS

Simple!

- Install at least one smoke alarm on each floor of your home and check it regularly.
- When resetting clocks in the spring and fall, check the smoke alarm battery and replace it if necessary.
- Never remove the battery from a smoke alarm or disconnect it, even if it goes off without reason.



The smoke alarm... an effective watchman! Check it regularly to ensure it is working.

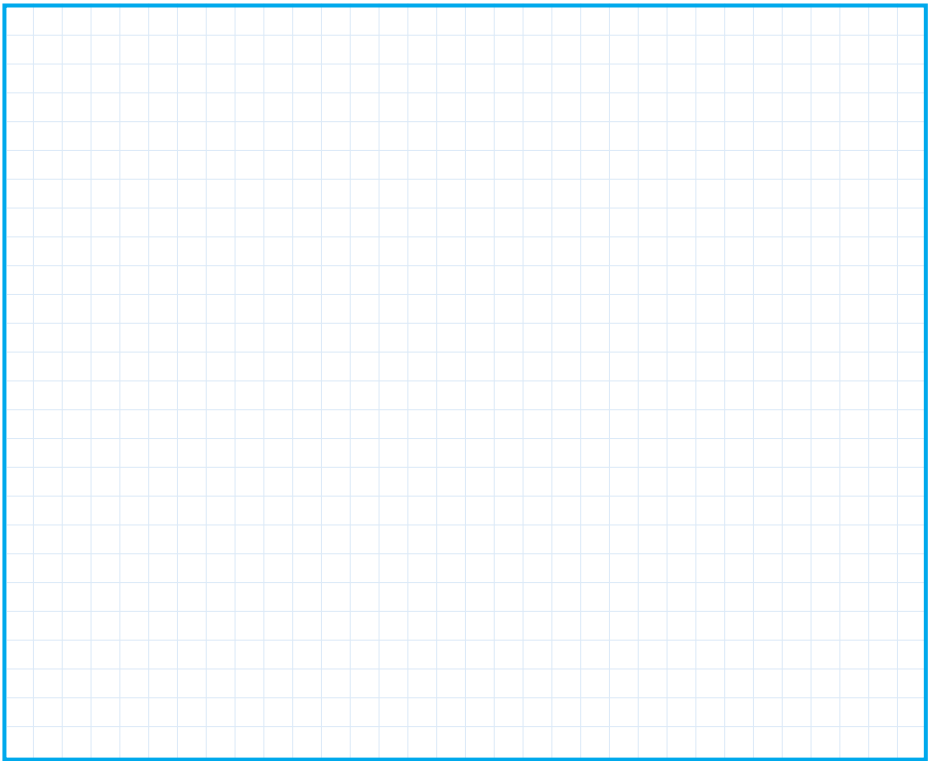
- Always keep hallways and balconies clear of obstruction to evacuate safely.



My home escape plan



Draw your home escape plan using the grid provided at the Web site of the Ministère de la Sécurité publique: www.msp.gouv.qc.ca go to Fire and click under Prevention.



For information, contact your municipal fire safety service.

PREPARING A HOME ESCAPE PLAN

Child's play!

