



NEWARK FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION

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Home Fire Inspections

List below are the requirements for your upcoming home fire inspection. Although the list is not a complete list, it covers all the requirements and the most common violations found. Feel free to contact the Prevention Office before, during, or after your inspection for any questions.

1. A working smoke detector is required to be installed on each floor of the home and in each bedroom. Smoke detectors have a 10 year life span; make sure they are within date.
2. If you have any gas fired appliances in the home, a carbon monoxide detector is required outside the sleeping areas. It is recommended a second one on the lower level of the home as well.
3. 1 ABC fire extinguisher, that is in current date and located in the kitchen area. The extinguisher must be out of the box and accessible.
4. Floor plan is posted showing fire and emergency evacuation routes. Two means of escape from each level where child care is provided.
5. Egress paths are free from clutter and obstructions.
6. Residential Facilities Only- Record is kept of practice fire drills.
7. No unvented kerosene or oil heaters shall be used.
8. Do Not use extension cords. An approved surge strip with a "breaker" can be used.
9. No exposed wiring. Outlets, switches and junction boxes shall have an appropriate cover. The breaker box must have its cover and no open spaces. Although not required consider child proof outlet covers.
10. Maintain a 36 inch clearance around all furnaces, hot water tank and breaker box
11. All flammables that are stored in a garage must be in approved containers. Do Not store LP cylinders inside.
12. Any alternative heating devices should have adequate safe guards from heating elements. Also must be UL listed with: a thermostat, and tip over protection. Must be plugged directly into a wall outlet.