

Home Safety Checklist for Cub Scouts

- There are no toys or items on the stairs
- Stair handrail is secure.
- Stairs are well lit.
- Poisons and dangerous chemicals are stored in their original containers out of reach of children.
- Medicines stored in their original (childproof) containers out of reach of children
- Matches are kept where children cannot get them.
- Knives are stored in a safe location.
- Use a stepladder if you need to reach something high.
- Pot holders are within easy reach of stove and oven.
- A fire extinguisher is in the kitchen or adjacent room.
- Toys are put away when nobody is playing with them.
- Furniture is arranged so room exits can be reached easily in an emergency.
- Smoke detectors are installed in every bedroom, kitchen, and garage.
- Smoke detectors are regularly checked to make sure they are still working.
- Carbon monoxide detectors are also checked regularly.
- Bunk beds have rails to prevent falls.
- Low windows have sturdy screens or bars to prevent children from falling out.
- Trash and other flammable materials are not stored near from stoves, furnaces, and heaters.
- Know where the water shutoff valve is and keep it easy to get to.
- Know where the fuse box or circuit breakers are and keep them easy to get to.
- Tools are stored neatly in garage and out of the reach of young children.
- Toys, bikes, and sports equipment is neatly stored in garage.
- Hands are dry before touching electrical switches
- Electrical sockets are equipped with safety plugs if there are young children in the house..
- Everyone in your family knows how to call 911 for emergency help.
- Poison control number is posted where everyone can find it..
- Home first aid kit is well stocked.
- Family has a fire escape plan and practices it regularly.
- Everyone knows what to do if they smell gas.
- Keep a small emergency water supply on hand.
- Keep flashlights where you can find them if your electricity goes out.