

# TENNESSEE STATE FIRE MARSHAL HOME SAFETY CHECKLIST



Area of Risk	Yes	No	Question
<b>Matches and careless smoking</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are matches kept out of the reach of small children?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are matches kept away from heaters, stoves and other heat sources?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is smoking in bed or comfortable chairs a violation of your home's rules?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are ash trays kept handy?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you check to see that all matches and ashes are cool before you throw them away?
<b>Heating and cooling</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are furnace, stoves and flue pipes away from combustibles and checked regularly?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are walls and ceilings properly protected from sources of heat?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are portable heaters maintained properly?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is the chimney cleaned and checked regularly?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are clothes, curtains and furniture kept at least three feet away from stoves, heaters and fireplaces?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are the stove, oven broiler and/or vent filters kept clean from grease?
<b>Electricity</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are extension cords in good condition and arranged safely?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do the cords on any of your appliances have scorch marks; cracks; frayed wires; or loose, bent or broken plugs?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do any cords or electrical outlets feel warm? (If so, have a licensed electrician check your wiring.)

<b>Housekeeping</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is trash in your attic, cellar, closets, yard, garage or stairs?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are flammable liquids stored in approved safety cans?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are flammable liquids kept away from heat and out of children's reach?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are paints kept in tightly closed metal containers?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you avoid using flammable liquids (like gasoline) for cleaning clothes and starting wood fires? (Hint: Avoid doing this.)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you avoid storing rags, papers and other combustibles in the home?
<b>Fire-safe habits</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have smoke alarms?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you check your smoke alarms each month?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you changed your smoke alarms' batteries at least once this year – if they are powered by regular batteries?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have an escape plan – with two means of exit – for every room in your home?
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you practice home fire drills at least once a year?