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FIRE-SMART FAMILY GUIDE

MAKE FIRE SAFETY A FAMILY EVENT!

Inside you'll find interactive activities, a step-by-step guide, and even a Family Fire Safety Night plan — designed to help parents teach kids lifesaving habits in a fun, engaging way.

Plus, earn your Fire Smart Families certificate and claim your special safety bonus offer inside!

UNDERSTANDING THE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF FIRE EXTINGUISHERS



Knowing which fire extinguisher to use in an emergency can save lives and prevent property damage. This guide explains the different classes of fire extinguishers and where to use them.

CLASS A: ORDINARY COMBUSTIBLES

- Used for fires involving paper, wood, cloth, trash, and plastics
- Commonly found in homes, schools, and offices
- Marked with a green triangle with an 'A'

CLASS B: FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS

- For fires involving gasoline, oil, grease, and paints
- Often used in garages, kitchens, and workshops
- Marked with a red square with a 'B'

CLASS C: ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

- Used on fires involving electrical appliances, outlets, and circuit breakers
- Does not conduct electricity (non-conductive agents)
- Marked with a blue circle with a 'C'

CLASS D: COMBUSTIBLE METALS

- For fires involving magnesium, titanium, potassium, and sodium
- Common in laboratories and industrial environments
- Marked with a yellow star with a 'D'

CLASS K: COOKING OILS AND FATS

- Specifically designed for commercial kitchen fires
- Effective on fires from vegetable oils, animal fats, and greases
- Marked with a black hexagon with a 'K'

OTHER: MULTIPURPOSE EXTINGUISHERS

- Many home and office extinguishers are rated A-B-C
- These can handle multiple types of fires and are ideal for general use
- Check the label before buying or using

HOW TO USE A FIRE EXTINGUISHER: REMEMBER THE PASS METHOD

- Pull the pin
- Aim low at the base of the fire
- Squeeze the handle
- Sweep side to side

FIRE SAFETY TIP:

- Keep extinguishers on every level of your home
- Inspect monthly and replace after use or expiration
- Know when to evacuate and call 911 never fight large or fast-spreading fires

ACKERMAN SECURITY CAN HELP

Keep your family safe with 24/7 monitored smoke and CO_2 protection. Call **800.552.1111** or visit **www.ackermansecurity.com** for a free quote and expert safety consultation.

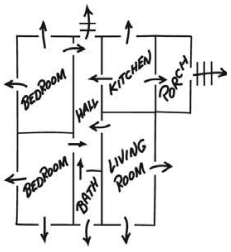
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HOW TO CREATE A FAMILY FIRE ESCAPE PLAN

Fire can spread quickly — sometimes faster than we realize. That's why the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) encourages every family to have a simple, well-practiced escape plan. When everyone knows what to do and where to go, it helps keep your whole family calm, confident, and safe.

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1. DRAW A FLOOR PLAN OF YOUR HOME



- Map out every level of your home, including all rooms, doors, and windows.
- Mark two ways out of each room (a door and a window, ideally).
- Clearly label all exits and include stairways, hallways, and escape ladders if applicable.

2. CHOOSE A FAMILY MEETING SPOT

Designate a safe meeting location outside your home where everyone should go after escaping. Ideal options:

- **A neighbor's front porch**
- **A light post**
- **A mailbox**
- **A specific tree at the edge of your yard**

Avoid meeting in front of your home or driveway, as fire trucks may need access.

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3. ASSIGN ESCAPE RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Parents or adults:** Assist young children, pets, or anyone with limited mobility.
- **Older children:** Learn how to check doors, feel for heat, and escape through windows.
- **Ensure everyone knows who is helping whom** to prevent confusion or delays.

Create a checklist of family members and who will assist them.

4. INSTALL & TEST SMOKE ALARMS

- **Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside each bedroom, and outside sleeping areas.**
- **Test them monthly.**
- **Replace batteries yearly, and units every 10 years.**

Consider smart smoke detectors that send alerts to your phone and notify emergency services if connected to a monitoring system like Ackerman Security.

5. PRACTICE YOUR PLAN TWICE A YEAR

Conduct fire drills at least twice annually. Practice:

- **Daytime and nighttime scenarios**
- **Escaping with eyes closed or in the dark**
- **Crawling under smoke**
- **Using alternative exits if one is blocked**

Add a recurring reminder to your calendar to ensure everyone stays prepared.



6. TEACH FIRE SAFETY BASICS TO KIDS

Never hide during a fire — go outside and stay out.

- **Don't stop to grab toys or pets.**
- **If clothing catches fire, remember: Stop, Drop, and Roll.**
- **Know how to call 911 and give your address.**

Tip: Turn lessons into games for younger children to make learning fun and memorable.

7. PLAN FOR SPECIAL NEEDS

- **Install visual smoke alarms for hearing-impaired members.**
- **Use medical alert tags or emergency cards for those with health conditions.**
- **Ensure wheelchairs or walkers are easily accessible at all times.**

Keep exit paths clear of furniture or clutter that could delay escape.

8. DISPLAY YOUR ESCAPE PLAN PROMINENTLY

- Print and post your fire escape map and instructions in:
- The kitchen
- Hallways near bedrooms
- Family command centers

Visual reminders help reinforce the plan for everyone.

BONUS: LINK YOUR ESCAPE PLAN WITH FIRE MONITORING

A fire escape plan is essential but even better when paired with 24/7 monitored fire detection.

Ackerman Security offers:

- Smart smoke and CO detectors
- Instant alerts to your phone
- Emergency dispatch even when you're not home

Get a free quote or call 800.552.1111 to secure your family with intelligent fire protection.



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FAMILY FIRE SAFETY NIGHT

A Fun, 20-Minute Family Activity to Teach and Practice Fire Safety Together
Fire safety doesn't have to be scary — it can be empowering! Use this Family Fire Safety Night to make learning fun, memorable, and hands-on for everyone in the house.

STEP 1: GATHER YOUR TEAM

Invite everyone who lives in your home — kids, grandparents, roommates, even the family pets (they can be part of the plan, too!). Make it an event: grab markers, a flashlight, and your printed **Fire Escape Plan** page from this kit.

STEP 2: LEARN THE LINGO

Before practicing, make sure everyone knows these lifesaving basics:

- **Stop, Drop, and Roll** — what to do if your clothes catch fire.
- **Crawl Low and Go** — stay below the smoke line when escaping.
- **Don't Hide, Go Outside** — never hide under beds or in closets.
- **Know Your Meeting Spot** — repeat it together three times so it sticks!

(**Pro tip:** Turn this into a short "family fire drill chant" for kids to remember.)

STEP 3: MAP IT OUT TOGETHER

Use your Fire Escape Plan worksheet to:

- Mark **two ways** out of every room.
- Draw your **meeting place** outside (like a tree or mailbox).
- Assign "helping hands" for anyone who might need assistance.

Let kids decorate the plan with stickers or drawings — the more ownership they feel, the more they'll remember.

STEP 4: PRACTICE THE PLAN

Time for action!

- Turn off the lights and practice escaping from different rooms.
- Pretend some exits are blocked and find another route.
- Once outside, gather at your meeting place and do a family high-five!

Run the full drill twice — once with lights on, once in the dark.

STEP 5: CELEBRATE SAFETY

When everyone finishes, fill out the **Fire Safety Certificate** at the back of this kit to mark your achievement.

Snap a photo and display it on the fridge as a reminder that your family is **Fire Smart, Fire Safe, and Fire Ready!**

OPTIONAL ADD-ON

If you have smart home devices, connect your smoke alarms to your security system or phone alerts.

(For monitored systems, visit **AckermanSecurity.com** to learn how 24/7 monitoring can add another layer of protection.)

YOUR EXCLUSIVE OFFER:

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YOUR FIRE COVERAGE CHECK

FOR FIRE SMART *Families*

WHAT WE CHECK

- ✓ Smoke detection, room by room
- ✓ Carbon monoxide coverage
- ✓ Device age and expiration dates
- ✓ Placement against current code
- ! Every gap, listed in writing

We pull up your account and tell you exactly what fire and CO detection is on your system today, which devices have aged out, and which rooms have nothing in them at all. You get it in writing. Nothing to buy, and no visit unless you ask for one.

Request yours at **AckermanSecurity.com** or call **800.552.1111** and **mention the keyword "Fire Smart Families"** to get your coverage check. *Available to current Ackerman customers. Nothing to purchase.*

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WE MAKE YOUR HOME SAFE

2GIG Panel



- the center of your system
- easily arm or disarm your system and enter alarm codes

D/W Contact



- supervised by your keypad
- device tamper and low battery reports
- encrypted 2-way sensors

Glass Break



- detects breaking glass
- adjustable
- device tamper/ low battery report

Motion Detector



- pet adjustable
- range of 30 feet
- low battery reporting

Secondary Keypad



- encrypted 2-way sensors
- full control

Smoke/Heat/ Freeze



- detects smoke & heat
- has a temp sensor
- intelligent built-in sensors
- 24/7 protection

Carbon Monoxide



- detects carbon
- intelligent built-in sensors
- 24/7 protection

Phone Control
Included with Control Package



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FIRE SAFETY TRAINING

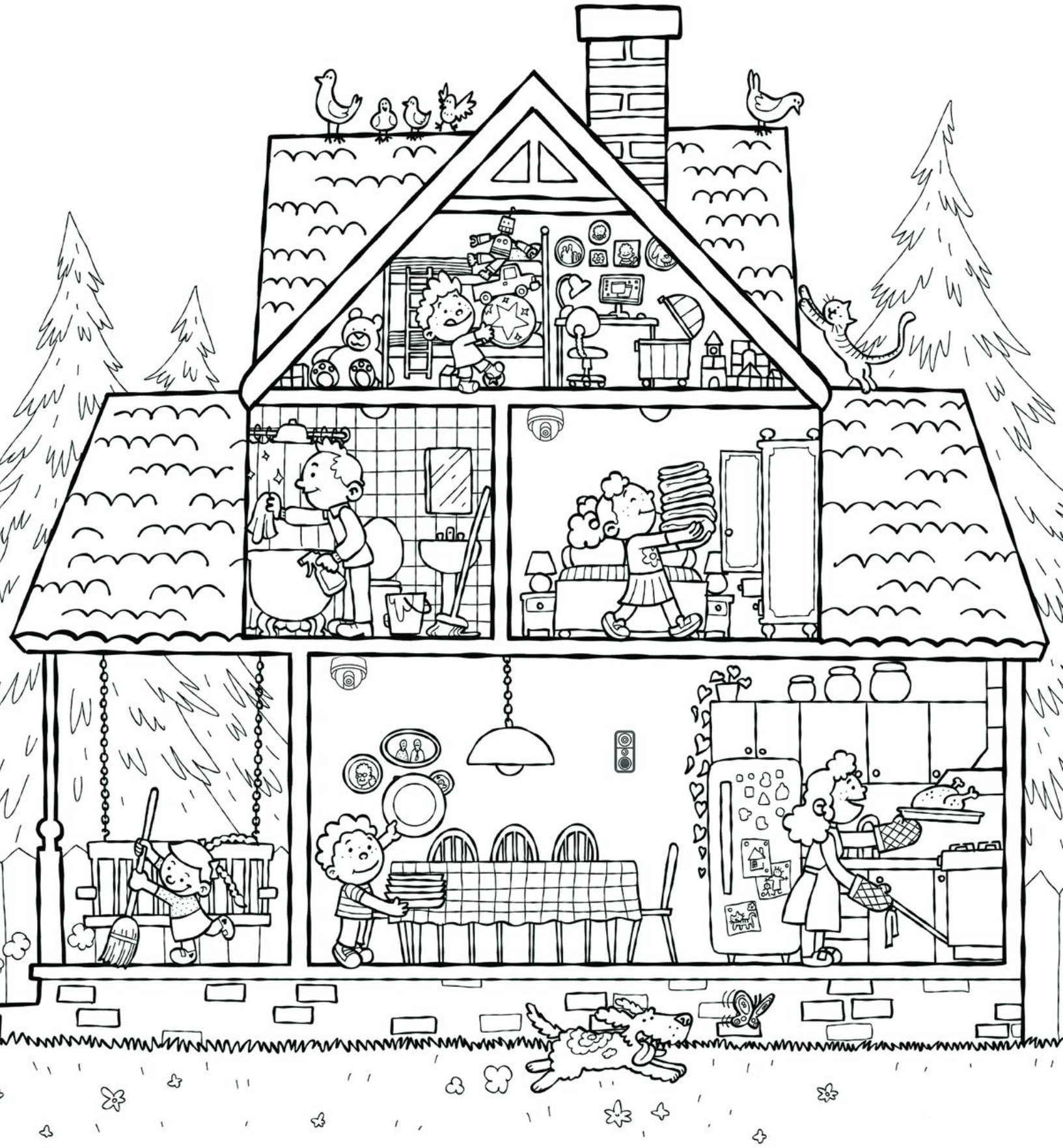
THIS CERTIFIES THAT

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has successfully completed the Fire Safety Training program, demonstrating proficiency in understanding fire hazards, prevention strategies, and emergency response protocols. By completing this training, the recipient is recognized for their commitment to maintaining a safe environment and preparedness to act in case of fire emergencies.

Date

Signature

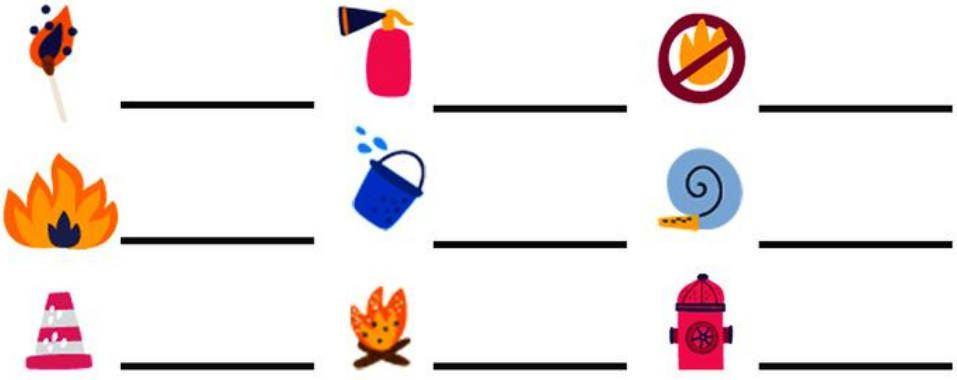


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ALL ABOUT ACKERMAN

The story of **Ackerman Security Atlanta** mirrors the journey of many Atlantans—what began as a need grew into an innovative idea, and through dedication and hard work, it transformed into one of the most trusted names in home security across the metro Atlanta area. Since our founding in 1967, we've stayed true to our core values while evolving to meet the ever-changing demands of home security.

As one of the leading alarm companies, we continue to provide the best home security system solutions.

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