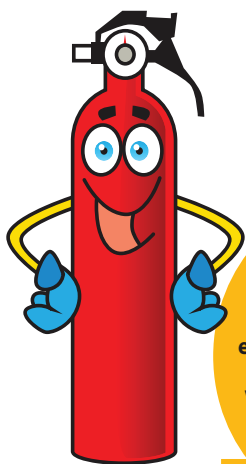


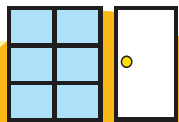
FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

OCTOBER 8-14, 2017



Fire Safety checklist

SCORE YOUR HOME: Team up with your family to help prevent fires and protect yourselves in the event of a fire. Complete the scorecard below with your family. Can you turn any of the NO answers into YES answers?



Windows and doors open easily. If smoke or fire blocks your exit through a door, a window may be the second way out. Test them to make sure they open easily.

YES NO



Doors and hallways are free of clutter and obstacles. Nothing should be in the way of a quick, safe exit.

YES NO



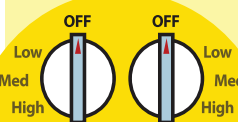
Smoke alarm works. Test your smoke alarms once a month. Smoke alarms should be on every floor, in or near all bedrooms.

YES NO

REPLACE YOUR SMOKE ALARM EVERY 10 YEARS!

Ask your parents, "How old is our smoke alarm?" Let them know it should be replaced every 10 years.

Replace the batteries every time you set your clocks backward or forward at Daylight Savings Time.



Make sure there isn't anything near the stove that could catch fire. A grown-up should be in the kitchen when the stove is on.

YES NO



You have a home fire escape plan. Practice your escape plan at least once a month.

YES NO



You have at least two ways to exit each room.

YES NO



You have a meeting place outside that is a safe distance from the home.

YES NO



Matches and lighters are stored out of the reach of children.

YES NO



Electrical outlets are not overloaded with too many plugs and extension cords.

YES NO

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS!

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On the Cover: A fire crew embarks for a training exercise to a controlled burn at the Northeast Oregon Fire School east of Meacham.

Contents Photo: Firefighters in an aerial bucket spray water into a burning house on Northwest 13th Street in Hermiston.

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Calling all Volunteers!

It gets harder all the time to get new volunteers into the fire service. Volunteering takes a lot of work on the training end, but is well rewarded with great camaraderie, pride and strong feelings of accomplishment with a well-done rescue or fire call.

Contact your local fire department to find out how to volunteer.