DEPARTMENT OF FIRE PREVENTION & ELECTRICAL SAFETY

Wyoming Safe Homes Data Collection Booklet

Home Safety Assessment Program

A combined effort between City of Laramie Fire and Rescue, Sweetwater County Fire District #1, and the Wyoming Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety.









Wyoming Safe Homes Disclaimer of Liability

Wyoming Safe Homes surveys are provided free of charge from the local Fire Department. Upon request, a member of the fire department conducts the survey. The survey provides a safety record for the homeowner, but also serves as public education.

The goal of this survey is to:

- I) Encourage life safety
- 2) Prevent fire
- 3) Prevent injuries
- 4) Reduce crimes
- 5) Improve occupant's awareness of existing conditions/and or hazards.

This Wyoming Safe Homes Survey is not connected with the Fire Marshal or Code Enforcement. It is merely an advisory service, free of charge, to promote life safety.

I understand that any item checked "yes" is not a guarantee that a fire, injury or crime will not occur. I also agree that participation in this survey will not guarantee that a fire, injury or crime will not occur.

I understand that I am voluntarily participating in this service and that the service is not required by the city nor required by the fire department.

By signing this disclaimer, I agree that my spouse, heirs, and assigns will also be bound by the terms of this disclaimer.

In recognition of these facts, I agree to hold harmless, the Fire Department for any negligence in providing this Wyoming Safe Homes survey.

Today's Date:	Address:	
Signature:	City:	
Print name:	Phone:	
Fire Department name		
Background Hispanic White Asian Black or African American Russian American Indian East Indian Other	Age of homeowner (please check one) 20-30 31-40 41-50 51-60 61-70 Over 70	Year home built Number of permanent residents in home Number of residents under 18 years of age Number of residents in home with major disability
Surveyor(s)		

Checks in the "No" column indicate items that are hazardous to you and your family. These hazards may cause a fire, injury or contribute to crime. You are urged to correct these at once for your own safety. If all items have been checked "Yes", you are to be commended on your safety efforts.

Room Yes No Exterior House numbers are visible from the street. Recommendation—6" best size, numbers are lit, and with contrasting color Dryer vent free from lint and flap closes completely when not in use Gas and electric meter accessible, free from snow build up and bushes Yes No Garage Flammable liquids stored in safety containers and in a metal cabinet, and not near 5 lb ABC fire extinguisher—accessible near an exit Not a large accumulation of fire load Not storage in rafters or trusses - no large objects No Kitchen Yes Attends all stovetop cooking Stovetop/range area is free from combustibles—maintain 3-foot rule Childproof safety latches or locks on cabinets that contain cleaning material and or medications (if children present). Maintains 3-foot rule for children Children don't play with pots and pans Kitchen stove hood is clean and vented to outside—cleaned once a month 5 lb ABC fire extinguisher—accessible near an exit Resident knows how to extinguish a grease fire and other cooking fires Recommendation—Keep pan lid nearby when cooking Water temperature is under 120 F. Actual water temperature

Yes	No	Bedroom #I
		Occupants sleep with door closed.
		Working smoke alarm Recommendation—change batteries every 6 months or at least annually; entire alarm every 10 years
		Lamps and halogen lighting 3 feet away from combustibles
		Smoking material not used
		Flameless candles used Recommendation—Consider using flameless candles
		Surge protectors used instead of extension cords Recommendation—Protector labeled surge
Yes	No	Bedroom #2
		Occupants sleep with door closed.
		Working smoke alarm Recommendation—change batteries every 6 months; entire alarm every 10 years
		Lamps and halogen lighting 3 feet away from combustibles
		Smoking material not used
		Flameless candles used Recommendation—Consider using flameless candles
		Surge protectors used instead of extension cords Recommendation—Protector labeled surge
Yes	No	Bedroom #3
		Occupants sleep with door closed.
		Working smoke alarm Recommendation—change batteries every 6 months; entire alarm every 10 years
		Lamps and halogen lighting 3 feet away from combustibles
		Smoking material not used
		Flameless candles used Recommendation—Consider using flameless candles
		Surge protectors used instead of extension cords Recommendation—Protector labeled surge

Yes	No	Bedroom #4			
		Occupants sleep with door closed.			
		Working smoke alarm Recommendation—change batteries every 6 months; entire alarm every 10 years			
		Lamps and halogen lighting 3 feet away from combustibles			
		Smoking material not used			
		Flameless candles used Recommendation—Consider using flameless candles			
		Surge protectors used instead of extension cords Recommendation—Protector labeled surge			
Yes	No	Escapo Plannina			
163	140	Escape Planning			
		# of people participating in drill			
		Sleeps with the doors closed			
		Have an emergency exit plan for the family			
		Have a family meeting place			
Yes	No	Bedroom Hallways			
		Working smoke alarms Recommendation—Change batteries every 6 months; entire alarm every 10 years			
Yes	No	Bathrooms			
		Electrical circuits GFCI protected, if outlets within 5' of water source			
		Bathroom vent is free of lint and dust. Consider cleaning once a year Recommendation—use during shower or bathing to reduce moisture			
Yes	No	Living and Family Room			
		Chimney cleaned & inspected at least annually Recommendation— for gas fireplaces, maintain per your manual			
		Screens in place in front of fireplaces			

Yes	No	Basement Basement door kept closed and no tripping hazards on steps			
		Two ways out and clear paths to exit			
		Legal size escape window for basement bedrooms			
		Access to electrical panel, if located in basement			
Yes	No	Furnace Room			
		Filters on furnace clean and in good shape (according to owner)			
		Professional has checked furnace and water heater in past year			
		No storage of flammables, aerosol cans, or paints			
		3-foot clearance maintained around water heater and furnace			
Yes	No	Laundry Room			
		Dryer vented to outside and cleaned in 4 areas— 1) lint trap 2) interior base of dryer— consider professional assistance 3) behind the dryer 4) interior of vent from dryer to outside			
		Has a metal vent			
Yes	No	All Household Areas			
		Digital carbon monoxide detector (if you are symptomatic and the detector is alarming, get outside and call 9-1-1.) Recommend placement in high traffic area, within 10 feet from bedrooms, away from furnace and fresh air intake. Installed according to mfr's. recommendation. Replace detector every 5 years; battery every 6 months			
		Family member knows CPR and home has basic 1st aid materials.			
		Radon checked by homeowner			
		No Excess amount of combustibles throughout home			

Yes	No	Special Considerations for Manufactured Homes Heat tape has been inspected annually by homeowner or qualified person, if applicable		
		Skirting is in place around the home		
Yes	No	Special Considerations for Apartments		
		If the apartment is sprinklered, have the residents considered where to go if the alarms sound?		
		Does not use smoking materials on balcony		
		Portable grill is not used on balcony with overhang		
		Special note: The fire department recommends reporting any hazard that affects your safety to management or your local city housing service.		
		Pre-Test Score		
		Post-Test Score		
		Miscellaneous		
		Number of smoke alarms		
		Number of hardwired alarms		
		Number of working hardwired alarms		
		Number of battery operated alarms		
		Number of working battery operated alarms		

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	CARBON MONOXIDE		
	EVALUATION SENT		
Comments of ho	ome survey:		
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Residential Fire Sprinklers

Fire Sprinklers protect a home 24 hours a day, automatically. Each sprinkler system is unique to the home where it is installed.



Most fire sprinkler systems operate off the household water main. Where water pressure is a problem, the system is fed by a storage tank.

Fire sprinklers are linked by a network of piping. Today, most home fire sprinkler systems primarily use a strong, non-combustible plastic piping known as CVPC. Just like plumbing, the piping is typically hidden behind walls and ceilings.

Sprinklers operate individually, in response to the high temperature of the fire.

Each fire sprinkler has a temperature-sensitive element. Sprinklers flow only when the temperature near the sprinkler reaches 135°F—165°F and they operate for approximately 10 minutes—sufficient time to keep a fire extinguished or controlled until the fire department arrives and sufficient time to allow the occupants of the house to escape.

Each sprinkler is designed to operate independently—sprinklers will not release water all at once when a fire starts.

Smoke, cooking vapors or steam cannot cause a sprinkler to activate—fire sprinklers operate in response to the high temperature of a fire.

Smoke alarms are essential in every home. But they can only detect a fire; and to be effective residents must be willing and able to respond quickly to the alarm. The best protection from fire is having both working smoke alarms and a fire sprinkler system.



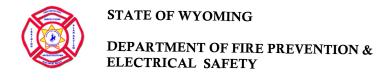
Test your smoke alarm at least once a month.

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Replace batteries in your smoke alarm following the manufacturer's recommendations or at least once a year.

Clean your smoke alarm at least twice a year following the instructions from your manufacturer.

Replace your smoke alarms if they are 10 years old or older.



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