

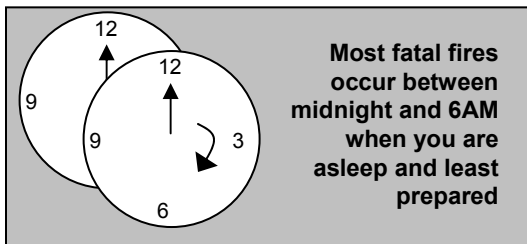
in a fire..
**seconds
 count...**

**heat
 and
 gases
 KILL!!**

Temperatures of 1000 degrees are common in home fires, but most people die of smoke and deadly gases before the fatally hot temperatures.

In a fire, particularly at night, your family may not get a second chance. Everyone must be prepared through regular home fire drills to use the various escape routes. *Get your family together and discuss!*

- 1 Install and maintain approved smoke detectors throughout the home. Test each month and change batteries once per year.
- 2 Two exits from each bedroom. A window can be used if a door is blocked by smoke, heat and gases. Escape ladders are available at many hardware stores.
- 3 A safe meeting place. When a family has exited the house, never go back in. Smoke and gases may kill you.
- 4 Use a cell phone or neighbors phone to call 911. You will be connected directly to fire dispatch.
- 5 Hold regular home drills just like kids do at school. Practice and preparation saves lives.



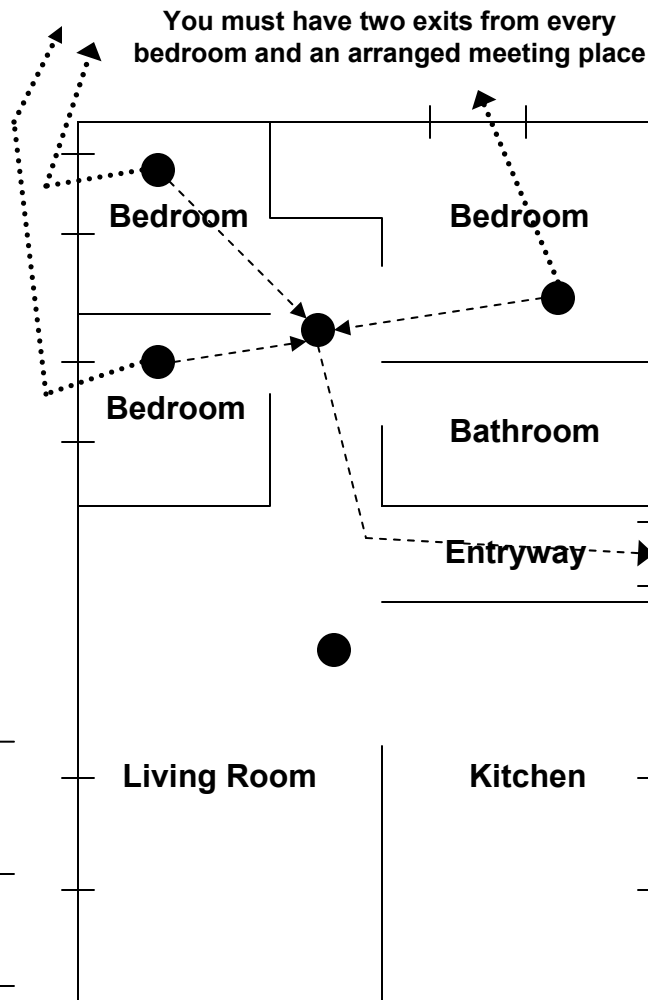
It is recommended that you sleep with you bedroom door closed and install a smoke detector in the bedroom.

When you hear a smoke alarm, drop to the floor to get fresh air and move quickly to the nearest safe exit.

When you get to a closed door, feel it first. If it is hot **DO NOT OPEN** it; use another exit.

Security bars or closed shutters can make a home a death trap. Make sure that any outside covering on windows is equipped with an emergency release.

If trapped in a room, keep the door closed and stay low to the floor or by a window. Never hide under beds or in closets. Seal bottom of door with blankets or towels to keep smoke out.



Sample plan for one-story home

- Smoke Detector
- Regular Route
- Alternate Route

Sketch on reverse side...

Smoke Detectors Save Lives!

FIRE WON'T WAIT... PLAN YOUR ESCAPE

