

# Fire Safety

City of Lockport Fire Department

## *PLANNED ESCAPE FROM FIRE*

**N**obody expects to have a fire. But it is very important to have a plan - to know what to do - just in case there *is* one. Fire can happen anywhere: in your home, apartment or place of business. In case of a fire, what you don't know can hurt you. Keep in mind, fires don't always happen to someone else. ESCAPE PLANS WILL DIFFER FOR EACH TYPE OF BUILDING! **IT'S UP TO YOU** TO PLAN THE PROPER ESCAPE FROM YOUR PARTICULAR BUILDING.

### *Remember to Plan Ahead... And if there IS a Fire*

<p><b>1. HAVE AN ESCAPE PLAN</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Have a family meeting to discuss what to do if there is a fire.</li><li>√ Practice your plan.</li></ul> <p><b>2. FIRE ESCAPE PLAN TIPS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Plan two exits.</li><li>√ Keep calm.</li><li>√ Close the door.</li><li>√ Don't go back.</li></ul> <p><b>3. DECIDE ON A MEETING PLACE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ By deciding on a meeting place, you will know if everyone has gotten out safely.</li></ul> <p><b>4. NOTIFY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Dial 911 to report a fire.</li><li>√ Call from a safe location.</li></ul> <p><b>5. WALK QUICKLY- DON'T PANIC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Feel the door on your way out with the back of your hand.</li><li>√ If the door is hot, do not open.</li><li>√ Close the door behind you to slow the spread of fire.</li></ul>	<p><b>6. USE THE STAIRS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Don't use the elevator. It may stop and trap you.</li><li>√ Try to place one hand in contact with the wall. This may prevent you from getting lost.</li></ul> <p><b>7. STAY LOW AND GO</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ If there is smoke, escape by staying very low to the floor where the air will be cooler.</li></ul> <p><b>8. OPEN WINDOW IF TRAPPED</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Open window at top to let out heat and smoke; and at the bottom to breathe.</li><li>√ If you cannot get out, waive a sheet out the window.</li></ul> <p><b>9. DON'T GO BACK</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ Do not go back into a fire building for anything! Your life is your most valuable possession.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>√ <b>PLAN AHEAD. IT CAN SAVE YOUR LIFE</b></li></ul></li></ul>
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