

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD. FIRE / EMS DEPARTMENT



TIPsheet

Kid Safe FIRE SAFETY



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Children five and under are more likely to die in fires than older children and adults. By following these fire safety tips, you will help prevent fire and burns to your pre-schooler.

MATCHES & LIGHTERS

Should never be used to amuse children (children may imitate you). Never leave them within a child's reach. Keep them up high or locked in a closet.

Teach children not to touch matches and lighters; instruct them to tell a grown up.

SMOKE ALARMS

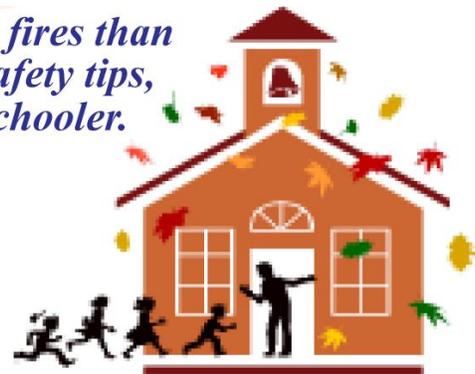
Teach children to react when they hear the smoke alarm. Teach them to "get out and stay out." Let them help you check your smoke alarm monthly by pushing the "test" button.

Teach children to recognize the sound of the smoke alarm.

HOT OBJECTS

Help children learn the difference between hot and cold objects. Talk to children about items that can burn. These items include the stovetop, steam, electric irons, bath water, candles and electric heaters.

Teach children to stay away from hot objects.



STOP, DROP & ROLL

Should your clothes catch fire: Stop where you are – do not run. Drop to the ground. Roll over from side to side to smother the fire. Remember to cover your face with your hands.

Have children demonstrate Stop, Drop and Roll.

HOME ESCAPE

Teach children not to hide from smoke and fire. Let them know that if they hide under the bed or in the closet, the smoke and fire will find them. Help children identify two ways out of every room.

Teach children to

**GET OUT
& STAY OUT!**