

It's Fire Prevention Week

# PREVENT HOME FIRES

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"Sparky the Fire Dog"® and his friend  
"Troo Traumaroo" want you and your  
family to be safe from fire!

## HERE ARE SOME IMPORTANT FIRE SAFETY TIPS TO REMEMBER:

- **STAY IN THE KITCHEN WHEN YOU COOK.** Keep things that can burn (towels, potholders and paper) away from the stove.
- **ALWAYS KEEP A 3-FOOT SAFETY ZONE** all around heat sources, or anything that burns – space heaters, candles, fireplaces, stoves, etc.
- **ALWAYS KEEP MATCHES AND LIGHTERS LOCKED UP** and safely away from children.
- **NEVER LEAVE CANDLES BURNING UNATTENDED.** Always put them out when you leave the room, leave the house, or go to bed.
- **CHANGE THE BATTERIES IN YOUR SMOKE DETECTORS** at least once per year – use your birthday or anniversary as a reminder – and **test alarms** once a month.
- **MAKE A HOME ESCAPE PLAN WITH YOUR FAMILY** so everyone knows what to do in case of fire.

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