



TOWN OF HARTFORD

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Public Safety Announcement

Home Fire Escape Plans

In the event of a fire in your home, every second counts. Preparing and practicing an emergency escape plan will help get you and your family out safe.

Here are a few things to keep in mind when preparing your escape plan:

- Find TWO safe ways out of every room.
- Have a place everyone can meet, a safe distance from your home.
- Bring a phone with you, so 911 can be called from your meeting place.
 - Make sure everyone knows “Once you get out, you stay out”

One of your routes out of the home may be a window. Windows may require some extra precautions and planning:

- Make sure all your windows operate freely, and all screens can be opened or removed easily.
- If you use a collapsible escape ladder, make sure it was built in accordance with national standards, and tested by a nationally recognized agency.

The most important thing you can do to ensure an effective escape plan is to practice at least twice a year, and be sure that everyone in your family is comfortable with all the routes out of your home.

For more information, or help preparing your Emergency Escape Plan, please contact the Fire Department.

Thank You for Helping Us Keep our Town Safe!