

Eleven Vital Steps When Fire Strikes



1. **Alert others by shouting “Fire”.** If a fire starts in your home, awaken all occupants in your home and immediately get out!
2. **DO NOT FIGHT THE FIRE!**
3. **Once you and your family are outside, contact 911 and be sure the dispatcher has the location of your home. If you use a fire alarm box, stay at the box so you can show the fire department where the fire is when they arrive.**
4. **Walk in a crouched position.**
5. **Escape through nearest exit.**
6. **Don’t waste time dressing.**
7. **Don’t try to gather valuables.**
8. **Never open a hot door.**
9. **If possible, place a wet cloth over nose and mouth.**
10. **Close all doors behind you.**
11. **Meet at a pre-established location outside your home.**
12. **Call fire department from a neighbor’s phone.**
13. **Never go back into a burning house.**

