

Escape Plan



In an emergency, you may need to evacuate your home at a moment's notice. You should be prepared to get out quickly.

Develop an escape plan by first drawing a plan of your home. Using a black pen to show the location of doors, windows, stairways, and large pieces of furniture. Next indicate the location of emergency supplies (Disaster Supplies Kit), fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, collapsible ladders, first aid kits, and utility shut off points. Next, use a colored pen of some type to draw a broken line charting at least two escape routes from each room in your home. Last, mark a place outside of your home where your family members should meet in case of evacuation.

Include important points outside of your home such as garages, stairways, patios, driveways, porches. If your home has more than two stories, use an additional sheet of paper for each floor. Once these steps are complete, practice your plan by planning drills with all members of your household. These drills should be done at least twice a year.