

Your home

may be **FIRE BAIT!!!**

What's your fire rating? Check your answers to these questions and see whether your home is really fire-proof for next Summer.

1. Are you careful not to touch bathroom switches and electrical appliances while in the bath or at the sink?
2. In the kitchen, do you avoid running several electrical gadgets at once "to save a little time"?
3. Are flimsy robes taboo in the kitchen where they may catch sparks from the stove?
4. Do you always disconnect the iron before leaving the board?
5. Do you snuff matches carefully and avoid throwing them into waste-paper baskets or garbage-can?
6. Do you use combustible dry cleaners out in the open only?
7. Are oily rags and waxing cloths kept in closed metal boxes?
8. Is accumulated cooking grease promptly removed from inside and outside the stove so that it won't flare up?
9. Are there plenty of ashtrays in all the rooms?
10. Is there a metal screen in front of the fireplace to catch sparks?
11. Do you keep open candle flames a safe distance from inflammable party decorations?
12. Would you know an electric fuse if you saw one? Could you change one that blew out?

Young Fry Safety

13. Are you careful not to throw dust from the vacuum cleaner or raw cereals into a burning incinerator where they may explode?
14. Do you observe fundamental fire-safety rules? Know the number of the nearest fire department? How to telephone an alarm?
15. Are all matches out of the reach of young children?
16. Are pot handles turned so children can't pull them down?

In Your Room

17. Have you dug your past out of the closet? Discard old newspapers, magazines, and all the other inflammable souvenirs?

18. Do you use a flashlight, never a match, when rummaging through a darkened closet?

19. Do you inspect electric cords to see if they are frayed?

20. Are you sure that electric cords don't run over hooks, under rugs or beneath doors where they may become worn?

21. If an electrical appliance is out of order, do you entrust it to an expert electrician instead of tackling it yourself?

22. If you have a portable heater, do you keep it away from curtains and everything combustible?

Back Yards Count Too

23. Have you removed all rubbish and leaves from your yard?
24. Have you ever checked on the vacant allotment next door to see that litter is removed?

But If Fire Comes

25. Would you know what to do? First, keep calm. If you're in the house, feel the door of the room. If it's hot, leave it shut. Superheated gases in the half can kill. If you can, wet towels and place them in the cracks around the door. Get near a slightly open window. Don't jump, if you're not on the ground floor. Stay there if possible until the firemen arrive!



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