

Home Safety Checklist 1

Please complete checklists 1 & 2 as you walk around the Veteran's home to inspect the status of safety measures prior to the VA's visit. You can use this list to note the changes you will need to make in order to enhance the Veteran's safety.

Yes **No**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have emergency numbers next to the phone? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is there a stepladder handy? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are electrical outlets exposed? They can be covered if unused. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are extension cords frayed? Replace them. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are electrical outlets overloaded? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you know how to turn off the electricity and gas in an emergency? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is your hot water heater set at 120° F or below? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have fresh batteries in the smoke detector? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have fresh batteries in the carbon monoxide detector? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is your fire extinguisher ready to use? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are your floors non-skid? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are your floor coverings and rugs secure? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have protective screens in front of fireplaces? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are candles kept away from walls and curtains? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do interior doors have safety release locks to open from either side? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are windows and screens secure? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Is lead-free paint used on all surfaces? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are furnaces and flues regularly inspected and cleaned? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are guns unloaded and locked up? |

Home Safety Checklist 2

Check the safety of your stairs and hallways.

Address the features for which you have selected "no" to minimize slips trips, and falls.

Yes **No**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are stairways free of clutter and slippery surfaces like throw rugs? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are banisters and railings strong and secure? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are stairs and walkways free of objects? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are stair treads and carpeting kept in good condition to prevent falls? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are stairways well-lit with light switches at the top and bottom? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have light switches in hallways near the stairs? |