Home Safety Check for Scouts

Small steps. Practical preparation. Keep this page where you can find it.

WALK THROUGH EACH ROOM

- ☐ Ask a parent to join you and record findings room by room before fixing anything.
- ☐ Kitchen: check fire extinguisher is reachable; note pot handles and low cleaning supplies.
- ☐ Living room & bedrooms: test smoke alarms if allowed; check windows, rugs, and cords.
- ☐ Bathroom, halls & stairs: note slip risks, reachable medicines, clear paths, steady rails.

CHECK STORAGE AND DISCUSS

- ☐ Garage: confirm gasoline is in approved containers only, never in living space.
- ☐ Basement: find water and gas shutoffs and look for a carbon monoxide alarm.
- ☐ Mark each item safe or needs work; sit with your parent to pick fixes first.
- ☐ Bring your finished worksheet to your counselor to share what you found.

SAFETY NOTE Only test smoke alarms and handle items if a parent or guardian says it is okay. A grown-up should guide you around water shutoffs, fuel, and chemicals.

Checked by: _____ Date: _____ Review again: _____

Full guide: readyguidance.com/skills/emergency-preparedness-merit-badge-worksheet/

Safety reference: https://www.ready.gov/calendar