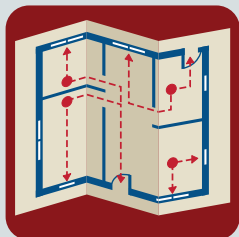


# Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!™

How fast does fire move? Very fast. You could have less than 2 minutes to get out safely once the smoke alarm sounds.

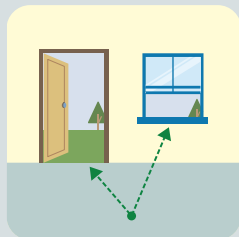
## 7 steps to practicing your escape plan

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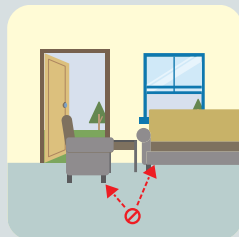
Draw a map of your home. Include all doors and windows.

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Find two ways out of every room.

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Make sure doors and windows are not blocked.

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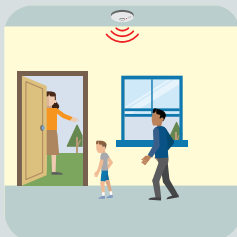
Choose an outside meeting place in front of your home.

5



Push the test button to sound the smoke alarm.

6



Practice your drill with everyone in the home.

7



Get outside to your meeting place.

For more information about escape planning, visit:  
[www.usfa.fema.gov](http://www.usfa.fema.gov) and [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org).



# High-Rise Apartment and Condominium Fire Safety

Fires in high-rise and condominium buildings are especially dangerous. Make sure you know where all the exit stairs are in your building. If you do have a fire in your building, here are steps you can take to stay safe.

**Know how to escape in an emergency:**

**If you cannot get out of your apartment because of fire, smoke or if you have a disability:**

**STUFF** wet towels or sheets around the door and vents to keep smoke out.

**LEAVE** your apartment. Close the door behind you.

**CALL 911** and tell them where you are. It may take a while for the fire department to clear the building. Stay on the phone with the fire department to help them locate you.

**PULL** the fire alarm on your way out to notify the fire department and your neighbors.

**OPEN** a window slightly and place a bright cloth outside to signal your location. Close the window so the air does not pull smoke into your room.

**USE** the stairs to get out. Do not use the elevator unless directed by the fire department.

**GO** to your outside meeting place and stay there. Call the fire department. If someone is trapped in the building, let the fire department know.

APARTMENTS

Visit [usfa.fema.gov](https://usfa.fema.gov) for more free fire-safety resources.



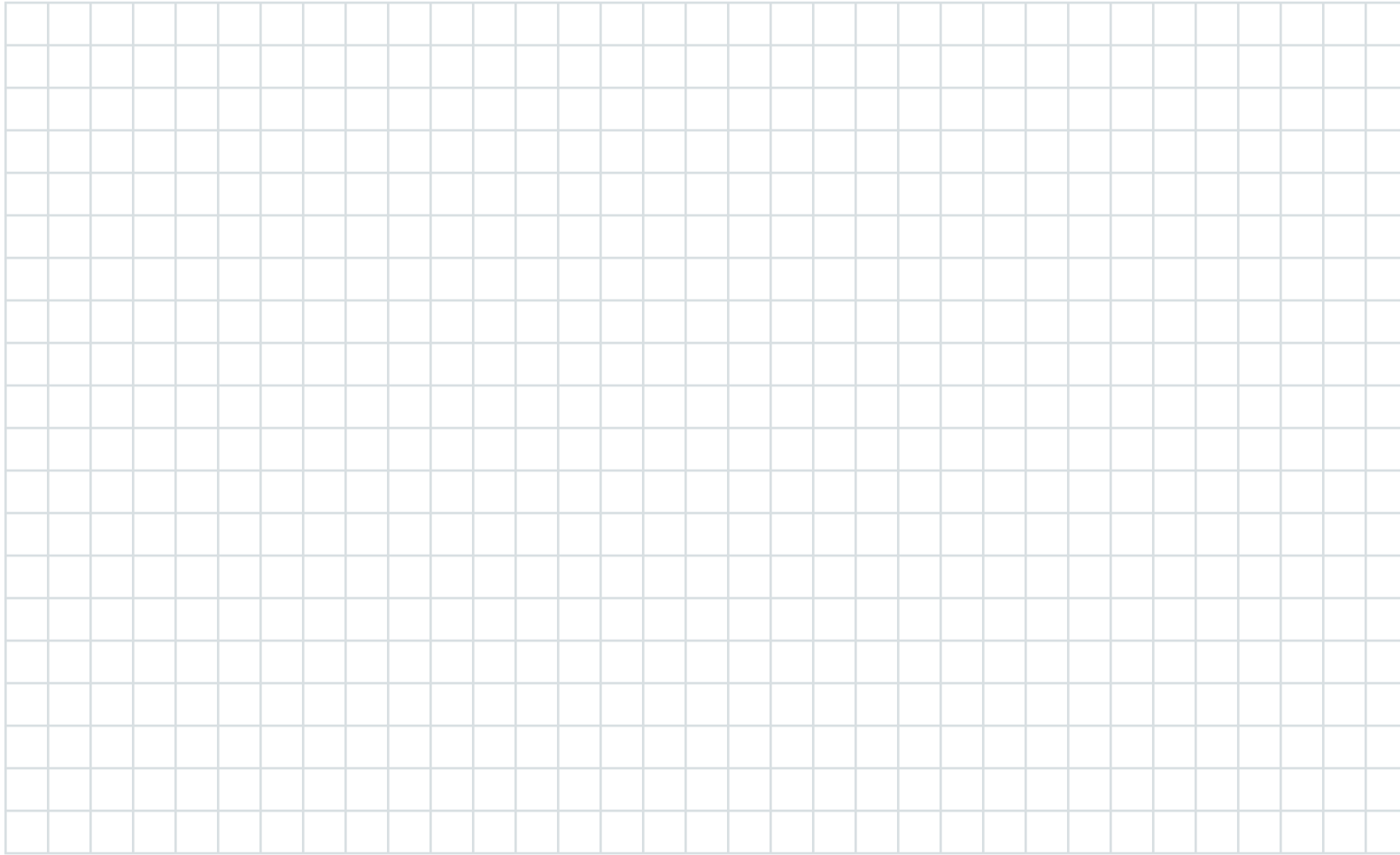
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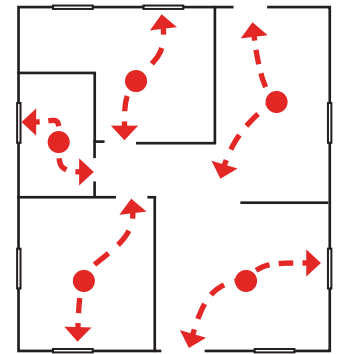
# Our Home Fire Escape Plan



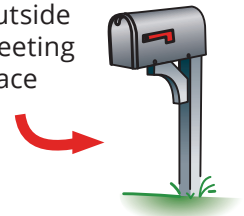
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Mineola FD - 30042

## Example



Outside  
meeting  
place



## How to make a home fire escape plan:

- Draw a map or floor plan of your home. Show all windows and doors.
- Mark two ways out of each room.
- Choose a meeting place outside in front of your home. Draw a picture of your outside meeting place on your escape plan.
- Write the emergency telephone number for the fire department on your escape plan.
- Practice your plan at least two times a year.