

### MESSAGE FROM THE HAWAII STATE FIRE COUNCIL (SFC)

Aloha! The SFC, which is comprised of Hawaii's four county Fire Chiefs, is pleased to announce the 31<sup>st</sup> edition of the Fire Fighter's Safety Guide (FFSG).

This year's FFSG promotes the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 2016 Fire Prevention Week theme, "Don't Wait – Check the Date! Replace Smoke Alarms Every 10 Years."

According to the NFPA, smoke alarms save lives and are a key part of a home fire escape plan. Working smoke alarms give you an early warning so you can escape quickly. Smoke alarms that are properly installed and maintained play a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries.

The NFPA emphasizes the importance of planning and practicing home fire escape plans to ensure everyone in the home can hear the sound of the smoke alarm. We suggest practicing the escape plan while the smoke alarm is activated so family members become familiar with its sound.

The FFSG is distributed to elementary school students statewide through a collaboration of Hawaii's four county fire departments. The FFSG was designed with the entire family in mind. Please participate with your child by completing the activities and lessons together. The completed activities should be returned to your child's teacher.

Mahalo for your participation.

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Don't Wait CHECK the date!

REPLACE SMOKE ALARMS EVERY 10 YEARS

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OCTOBER 9-15, 2016

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### Safety Tips for your Home and Family

### Smoke Alarms

- Install smoke alarms inside and outside each bedroom and on every level of the home.
- Test smoke alarms at least once a month. Press the test button to ensure the alarm is working.
- People who are deaf can use special alarms that have strobe lights and bed shakers.
- Replace smoke alarms when they are **ten years old**.

### Wildland Safety Tips

- Clear leaves and other vegetation from roofs, gutters, porches, and decks.
- Remove dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch and within ten feet of the house.
- Dispose of debris and lawn cuttings to reduce fuel for fire.
- Remove anything within 30 feet that could burn and act as a large fuel source.

### Aloha Jr. Firefighters!

I am Hawaii's new Fire Fighter's safety mascot. Join me in sharing the fire safety messages as I voyage across the state. Remember to always practice fire prevention and safety with your family and friends.

Love, Poki

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### **Holiday Safety Tips**

- Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Keep lit candles away from items that can burn.
- Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use, but not both.
- Replace strings of lights that haveworn or broken cords or loose bulb connections.
  Follow the manufacturers instructions for the number of light strands that can be safely connected.
- Stay in kitchen when cooking.

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### Have a plan

nform someone of where you're going and when you plan to return

Keep a flashlight and whistle with you

Eat well, stay hydrated: carry plenty of water

Stay on the trail

Ask for HELP!

**F**amiliarize yourself with the area, use a map

Expect changes in the weather

Pictured below are items that you should bring with you when hiking. Unscramble the letters to identify each item. Use the

Photo of Na Pali Coast, Kaua

red letters to revel the secret word below.



NEHOP



AMP







RAWET



**ESOSH** 





The secret word is something that you should look for when hiking.

# CCEAN SAFETY LLPS

When playing under the sun, make sure you use **SUNBLOCK** and always stay **HYDRATED** with **WATER**.

Be careful along the rocky coastline where big **WAVES** can sweep you away.

The **CURRENT** is the movement of water from one location to another. A strong ocean current can make it difficult to **SWIM** safely.

The **OCEAN** can be tricky so pay attention to posted **SIGNS** and ask the **LIFEGUARD** if it is safe.

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Find the GREEN highlighted words above in the word search. Be sure to check backwards and diagonally!

Poki at Hanalei Bay, Kauai



### FUN FACT

The Kauai Fire Department was established in 1939 operating out of five service stations. PLAN COUR ESCAPE

Choose an **outside meeting place** (like a tree, light pole, or mailbox) that is a safe distance from your home where everyone can meet.

**Use the space below** to draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Use arrows to show your escape routes. Show at least two ways out of every room, if possible.



Don't stall, call

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If you see or smell smoke or hear a smoke alarm, **STAY LOW AND GO!!** When you stay low to the ground and crawl, you can see and breathe better.

### FAMILY ACTIVITY

### Practice your home fire drill

during the day and night with everyone in your home. Make an escape plan for a friend or family member (like a grandparent) who doesn't have an escape plan for their home.



the Fire Investigator Dog

Say "Hello" to Kaimi; Hawaii County Fire Department's Fire Investigations Canine.

This nine-year-old yellow Labrador Retriever has assisted in hundreds of fire investigations and loves visiting with the Big Island of Hawaii's children during public demonstrations.



1. Get a square piece of paper.



3. Fold top points down on the dotted lines.

2. Fold your square in half diagonally.



4. Fold bottom point up on the dotted lines to make a mouth.



5. Done! Now draw a face and color your dog.





Smoke alarms need to be replaced every 10 years. Check the date to see if it needs to be changed.



Above: Poki shares information about smoke alarms with a homeowner.

Contact your local fire department for any smoke alarm installation programs in your area.

# THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

- 1. You need a smoke alarm in each bedroom.
- 2. You need a smoke alarm on each level of the home.
- 3. You need a smoke alarm outside each sleeping area.
- 4. Push the test button at least once a month to make sure it is working.
- 3. If the smoke alarm sounds, get outside the home.
- 4. Dial 911 to call the fire department from your safe meeting area.







5) Damaged smoke alarm 6) Pot handle facing out 7) Dog in the kitchen





- 5. Poki's friends share fire \_\_\_\_\_ with everyone.
- 7. A color of fire.
- 9. Number of exits every home needs.

Across: 1. Siren, 6. Fall, 8. Fire Truck, 10. Smoke Down: 2. Effect, 3. Tell, 4. Fire Fighter, 5. Safety, 7. Orange, 9. Two

> **FUN FACT** The Honolulu Fire Department was established in 1851 by King Kamehameha III.

If your CLOTHES catch on fire, STOP where you are. DROP to the GROUND and COVER your EYES and MOUTH with your HANDS. ROLL over and over and back and forth until the FLAMES are out.

There are many things inside and outside the home that are hot or can get hot. Things that get hot can cause serious burns. CIRCLE the items that can be hot or could get hot.





#### Time to test your knowledge. Circle the correct answer.

### 1. You should have a smoke alarm in:

- a. The kitchen.
- b. The bathroom.
- c. Each bedroom.
- d. All of the above.

### 3. It is okay to play with:

- a. Toys.
- b. Candles.
- c. Matches.
- d. Kitchen stove.

# 5. If your clothes catch on fire, you should:

- a. Stop, run, and yell.
- b. Call 911.
- c. Stop, drop, and roll.
- d. Sing, dance, and roll.

#### 7. You should call 911 if:

- a. You are hungry.
- b. You want to play a joke on someone.
- c. You have a bad dream.
- d. None of the above

# 9. In case of an emergency, make sure to remember your:

- a. Favorite food.
- b. Full address.
- c. Full name.
- d. Both b and c.

#### 2. If you see or smell smoke, you should:

- a. Run quickly to get out.
- b. Go back to sleep.
- c. Find out where it's coming from.
- d. Stay low and go.

# 4. You should know at least this many ways out of every room in your home:

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Three
- d. Four

### 6. Practice your family fire drill:

- a. At night.
- b. During the day.
- c. In the morning.
- d. During the day and at night.

### 8. If you find a lighter, you should:

- a. Pick it up.
- b. Throw it away.
- c. Tell an adult.
- d. Call 911.

# 10. What should you bring when going on a hike?

- a. Cell phone.
- b. Water.
- c. Map.
- d. All of the above.

Answers: 1.c, 2.d, 3.a, 4.b, 5.c, 6.d, 7.d, 8.c, 9.d, 10.d

