



"Keeping the Homefront Safe" Home Fire Safety Self-Assessment



A Fire Safe Home is Your Responsibility!

We are here to help educate and maintain a safe community

Complete a home fire safety self-assessment of your home with the entire family prior to the kick-off of Fort Belvoir's Community Campaign occurring on most Saturdays in September—November in Belvoir's Villages.

Villages of Belvoir staff and the Fire & Emergency Services Division are asking for you to complete surveys in advance. Firefighters will conduct the campaign with Villages of Belvoir staff and answer questions or provide assistance as needed.

General

- Yes** **No** Home has smoke alarms on every level.
- Yes** **No** Home has a smoke alarm in or outside every bedroom.
- Yes** **No** Smoke alarms are located at least 10 feet from a stationary or fixed cooking appliance.
- Yes** **No** Smoke alarms are interconnected so when one sounds, they all sound.
- Yes** **No** All smoke alarms are working.
- Yes** **No** Family has a created a home fire escape plan.
- Yes** **No** Family practices the home fire escape plan at least twice a year.
- Yes** **No** If the home has occupant(s) that require assistance to escape, occupants discuss escape planning and occupant requirements in case of a fire or emergency escape.
- Yes** **No** House number is visible from the street.
- Yes** **No** Windows used for escape open easily — not blocked by furniture, security bars or nailed/painted shut. In historic homes, at least one window per room is fully functional.
- Yes** **No** Security bars, if present, have a quick release-device.
- Yes** **No** Home has a carbon monoxide alarm outside each separate sleeping area, if home has gas appliances.
- Yes** **No** Home has a carbon monoxide alarm on every level, if home has gas appliances.
- Yes** **No** Carbon monoxide alarms are working, if home has gas appliances.

Throughout the Home

- Yes** **No** Smokers smoke outside the home.
- Yes** **No** Matches and lighters are stored in a secure cabinet.
- Yes** **No** Lit candles are not left unattended.
- Yes** **No** Flammable liquids, if stored in the home, are limited in quantify.
- Yes** **No** The home is not cluttered with clothes, magazines, newspapers and other items that can burn.

Kitchen

- Yes** **No** Things that can burn are removed from the stovetop.
- Yes** **No** Small appliances are unplugged when not in use.
- Yes** **No** Adult stays in the kitchen when stovetop is in use.

Living/Family Room

- Yes** **No** Fireplace has proper screen and hearth.
- Yes** **No** Things that can burn are at least 3 feet from space heaters and fireplaces.

Bedrooms

- Yes** **No** All bedrooms have two ways out—window and a door.

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Basement

- Yes** **No** Workshop area is clean of things that can burn.
- Yes** **No** Hot water heater is set at no higher than 120° Fahrenheit.
- Yes** **No** Things that can burn are at least 3 feet from the furnace.
- Yes** **No** Clothes dryer lint filter and vent pipe are clean.

Garage

- Yes** **No** There is a solid door between garage and residence.
- Yes** **No** Gas powered equipment is stored in an outside shed or garage, separate from the home.
- Yes** **No** Gasoline is stored in an approved safety container in an outside shed or garage, separate from the home.

Outside the Home

- Yes** **No** Outside electrical receptacles are GFCI and they are in good working condition.
- Yes** **No** There is no rubbish, trash, brush or tree trimmings accumulation on the property.
- Yes** **No** Barbecue grill is only used outdoors.
- Yes** **No** Children's wading pool is enclosed by a four-sided fence.

Electrical

- Yes** **No** AFCIs (arc-fault circuit interrupters) where installed in the home are working properly
- Yes** **No** Kitchen and bathrooms have GFCI outlets on countertop surfaces within 6 feet of running water outlets and they are working properly.
- Yes** **No** All receptacle and switch faceplates are installed and in good condition.
- Yes** **No** Receptacles have been tested and are in good working condition—no evidence of arcing or overheating.
- Yes** **No** Switches are in good condition—no evidence of arcing or overheating.
- Yes** **No** Lighting fixture canopies are fastened in place and fixture is in good condition.
- Yes** **No** Bulbs in light fixtures are the correct wattage for the lighting fixture.
- Yes** **No** Flexible cords and cables are not used as fixed wiring, run through holes in walls, ceiling or floor, run through doorways or windows or under carpets or attached to building surfaces.
- Yes** **No** If there are young children in the home, the home has tamper-resistant outlets.
- Yes** **No** Electrical panel board and distribution equipment is accessible for inspection and in good condition—no evidence of overheating, corrosion or other damage.
- Yes** **No** Service entrance raceways or cables are fastened in place, grounded, readily accessible and in good condition.

Stair Safety **Trips and falls on stairs are a leading cause of home injuries.**

- Yes** **No** Handrail(s) is securely in place at any staircase.
- Yes** **No** Stairs can be illuminated for night time use.

The Villages at Belvoir maintenance staff conducts annual safety inspections on all homes. Please contact your Community Management Office with any questions about The Villages at Belvoir policy.

FORT BELVOIR'S EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS POSTED IN HOME & CELLPHONES
FIRE & MEDICAL: 703-781-1800
POLICE: 703-806-3104

“Keeping The Homefront Safe” Community Campaign Schedule

Date	Time	Location 1	Location 2
15-Sep-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Woodlawn Village	N/A
15-Sep-19	12:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Woodlawn Village	N/A
22-Sep-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Dogue Creek	N/A
22-Sep-19	12:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Park Village	N/A
12-Oct-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Lewis Village	N/A
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19-Oct-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Fairfax Village	Gerber Village
19-Oct-19	12:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Cedar Grove Village	N/A
26-Oct-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 a.m.	George Washington	N/A
26-Oct-19	12:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Jadwin Village	N/A
2-Nov-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	River Village	N/A
2-Nov-19	12:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Belvoir Village	N/A
9-Nov-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Herryford Village	N/A
9-Nov-19	12:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Rossell Village	N/A
16-Nov-19	10:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.	Vernondale Village	N/A
16-Nov-19	12:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.	Colyer Village	N/A