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Safety
Requirements Sheet
Merit Badge Powwow 2009

The scout is to read the Safety Merit Badge pamphlet before the Powwow (2006 edition or later). Some requirements may take up to 90 days to complete before coming to the Powwow. Read all the requirements below and bring necessary items to guarantee passing off the merit badge on the day of the Powwow. Bring to class paper, pen or pencil, and any other items asked for. Write your name, merit badge and class time (9:00 or 1:00) on **every** paper or project. (If there are any questions pertaining to requirements, the most recent Boy Scout Requirements handbook will always be used).

Recommended Requirments to complete before Powwow

Completed:

1. Prepare a notebook to include
 - a. Newspaper and other stories, facts, and statistics showing common types and causes of injuries in the home and in the workplace, and how these injuries could be prevented
 - b. Newspaper and other stories, facts, and statistics showing common types of crimes and ways to avoid being a crime victim
 - c. Facts you have obtained concerning the frequency of accidents and of crimes in your local area
 - d. A paragraph or more, written by you, explaining how a serious fire, accident, or crime could change your family life
 - e. A list of safe practices and safety devices currently used by your family, such as safety practices used while driving or working and safety devices that prevent injuries or help in an emergency
2. Do the following:
 - a. Using a safety checklist approved by your Scout Master or the one in the merit badge pamphlet, make an inspection of your home. Explain the hazards found and how they can be corrected.
3. Do the following:
 - b. Discuss with your counselor at the Powwow the tips for online safety. Explain the steps individuals can take to help prevent identity theft.
4. Show your family the exits you would use from different public buildings (such as a theater, municipal building, library, supermarket, shopping center, or your place of worship) in the event of an emergency. Teach your family what to do in the event that they need to take shelter in or evacuate a public place.
6. Plan and complete a safety project approved by your Scout Master for your home, school, place of worship, place of employment, or community. Include in your plan an explanation of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Advisory System and appropriate actions to take for each threat level.

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- 7. Learn about three career opportunities in the field of safety. Pick one career and find out the education, training, and experience required for this profession. Discuss this choice with your counselor at the Powwow, and explain why this profession might interest you.

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Requirments that will be passed off at the Powwow

- 2. Do the following:
 - b. Review or develop your family's plan of escape in case of fire in your home.
- 3. Do the following:
 - a. Discuss with your counselor how you contribute to the safety of yourself, your family, and your community.
 - b. Show your family members how to protect themselves and your home from accidents, fire, robbery, and assault.
 - d. Discuss with your counselor the three R's of Youth Protection and how to recognize child abuse.
- 5. Make an accident prevention plan for five family activities outside the home (at your place of worship, at a theater, on a picnic, at the beach, and while traveling, for example). Each plan should include an analysis of possible hazards, proposed action to correct hazards, and reasons for the correction you propose in each plan.

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Home Security Checklist

Survey your home, using the following checklist. Every “no” answer shows a weak point that might help a burglar. As you and your family eliminate the “no” answers, you improve your home and personal security.

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>1. Do you keep a list of all valuable Property?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*Make the list in duplicate, with at least one copy kept in a place outside your home, such as a safe-deposit box. In case of fire, the extra list that you keep will provide information necessary for insurance claims.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>2. Do you have a list of the serial numbers of your valuable property, such as TVs, computer, DVD player, audio and video components, cameras, watches, etc?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>3. Do you keep excess cash and other valuables in a bank?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*Renting a safe-deposit box is a small investment compared with the potential loss from theft or fire. The box should be large enough to hold important papers and valuables that are seldom used. Copies of valuable papers also could be kept with another family member or relative.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>4. Do you leave the spare house key with a close friend or reliable neighbor when you go out of town?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*This practice is much safer than leaving a spare under the doormat, where a nosy burglar is certain to look.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>5. Do your family members know what to do if they discover a burglar breaking into or already in your home?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*If you return home and find signs that it has been entered, do not go inside. Use your mobile phone, or use a neighbor’s phone to call the police or sheriff. If you enter your home and find a burglar inside, expect the burglar to be frightened and dangerous. A scream may cause a burglar to flee, but it might also provoke the burglar to attack you. Never struggle with a burglar unless you are in danger of serious physical harm and you are forced to defend yourself. In that case, scream, kick, gouge-use your hands, feet, and teeth to fend off your attacker.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>6. Do family members know to leave everything undisturbed and call the sheriff or police if they discover that a burglary has been committed?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*It is important that you not move things or otherwise disturb the inside of your home or the grounds around your home until police have checked it. Otherwise, valuable evidence might be lost.</p>

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>7. Are the trees and shrubs trimmed to eliminate hiding places?</p> <p>*Keep doorways, windows, and porches clear when planting bushes and tall flowers. Remember that the bushes that give you privacy also give a burglar places to hide.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>8. Do you have a security closet with a solid-core door, nonremovable hinges, and a deadbolt lock?</p> <p>*A security closet can be a place to keep things of value. Noises caused by someone breaking into a security closet might betray a burglar.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>9. Do you have emergency telephone numbers listed on your phone or on an easily accessible place?</p> <p>*In most areas of the country, the 9-1-1 telephone number will connect you with the emergency services. With the 9-1-1 system, a computer immediately displays your address to the person who answers your emergency call.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>10. Is the outside of your home well lit?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>11. Does your porch light have at least a 60-watt bulb?</p> <p>*Outside lighting is important in home security. Light yards, windows, and doorways to prevent burglars from hiding there. Porch lamps and yard post lamps can be used to eliminate dark spots. Burn porch lights from dusk until dawn, and encourage your neighbors to do the same. This denies burglars the cover of darkness, at a cost of about 5 cents per night, using a 60-watt bulb. In rural areas where no streetlights exist, electric companies often will give group discounts to customers who wish to install security lighting. Contact your power company or rural electric cooperative for further information.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>12. Is your house number (address) easily visible from the street at any hour?</p> <p>*If it is not possible to read your house number from the street at night without using a flashlight, consider lighting the number or having a visible curb number painted in front of your house.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>13. Have you made it more difficult for burglars by locking up ladders and eliminating trellises and drainpipes that can be climbed to reach an upper floor of your home, if you have one?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>14. Are your doors of solid core construction?</p> <p>*A hollow-core door is fragile. It takes a burglar only a few blows with a hammer to break through to reach the lock. If you have hollow-core doors, consider replacing them with solid doors.</p>

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>15. Do your entry doors have wide-angle viewers or peepholes?</p> <p>*A wide-angle viewer or peephole lets you see who the visitor is before you open the door.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>16. Are the locks on your doors secure from being opened if a burglar breaks out a pane of glass or a panel of light-weight wood?</p> <p>*This calls for a lock that can be opened from inside with a key. Some communities do not permit this type of lock because it can prevent escape from a fire if the key is not in place. If you use this type of lock, be sure to leave the key in the lock when anyone is at home; remove the key only when the home is empty. Check with your local law enforcement agency or building department to find out if this type of lock is permitted.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>17. Do exterior doors have cylinder-type deadbolt locks with at least a 1-inch throw and a beveled cylinder guard?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>18. Do doors without cylinder locks have a heavy deadbolt or some similar security device that can be operated only from the inside?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>19. Can all of your doors (basement, porch, sliding, French, balcony) be securely locked?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>20. If you have a basement, do the doors have locks that allow you to isolate that part of your home?</p> <p>*Basement windows are among the easiest for a burglar to enter undetected. If your basement is securely locked from the rest of your home, the burglar's activity is limited to that area.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>21. Are all of your locks in good repair?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>22. Are the door strike plates installed with 3-inch screws?</p> <p>*This size screw will reach the stud inside the wall.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>23. Do you know everyone who has a key to your home?</p> <p>*Do not carry house keys on the same ring as car keys. It is very easy to leave the keys together when the car is in a garage for repairs or left in a commercial parking lot where an attendant parks cars. Anyone who handles your house keys can easily have duplicates made.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>24. Do all out-swinging doors in your home have hinges with nonremovable pins? These hinges have set screws to prevent pin removal from the outside.</p>

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>25. Do sliding doors have a lock that locks both the door panels together or locks the active side to the frame?</p> <p>*You can place a wooden dowel in the floor track to prevent a sliding door from opening.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>26. Is the garage door secured with a padlock, hasp, or other good lock?</p> <p>*Even garage doors with electric openers need separate locks. In a double-car garage with a single long door, it is important to place a lock on each side of the door to keep a burglar from pulling out one side and crawling through.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>27. Do you lock your garage door at night?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>28. Do you make sure your garage door is locked when you are away from home?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>29. Do you lock your car and take out the keys even when it is parked in your garage?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>30. Are all windows in your home equipped with key locks or pinned?</p> <p>*You can secure a sliding window with a rod the same way as you would secure a sliding glass door.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>31. Are your window locks properly and securely mounted?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>32. Do you keep your windows locked when they are shut?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>33. Do you use locks that let you lock a window that is partly open?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>34. Have you replaced or secured louvered windows?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>35. If you live in a high-burglary area, do you use window bars or ornamental grilles?</p> <p>*Take care that bars or grilles do not create an escape hazard in the event of a fire. They must have an inside mechanism that allows them to swing out in an emergency.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>36. Do you have secure locks on garage windows?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>37. Do you cover garage windows with curtains or shades?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>38. Are you careful to secure basement and second-story windows as you are to secure windows on the first floor?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>39. Do you use good telephone security procedures?</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<p>40. When planning a trip, do you secure your telephone?</p>

	<p>*Use and answering machine or voice mail service from the telephone company to record a message indicating all calls will be returned at your earliest convenience. You can then call home and retrieve your messages without anyone knowing you are away. Never say that you are out of town.</p>
<p>___Yes ___No</p>	<p>41. When you go on a trip, do you arrange for friends or neighbors to collect newspapers, mail, packages, and any other deliveries?</p> <p>*You also can request the post office and newspaper to stop delivery until you return.</p>
<p>___Yes ___No</p>	<p>42. Do you arrange to make you home look lived-in while you are away?</p> <p>*Leave some window shades up or curtains open so that your home does not look deserted. Have a trusted neighbor or relative periodically open and close drapes and turn different lights on and off (or use timers) so the house appears occupied. You can also use a timer to turn a radio and/or light on and off. Consider asking friends or relatives to live in your home while you are away. Leave a car in the driveway or ask neighbors to park in your driveway. Ask a neighbor to put some trash in your trash cans, place them out for pick up on trash days, and pick them up after they have been emptied.</p>
<p>___Yes ___No</p>	<p>43. Do you notify a trusted neighbor that you will be gone?</p>
<p>___Yes ___No</p>	<p>44. Do you notify your police or sheriff's department that you will be gone?</p>
<p>___Yes ___No</p>	<p>45. Do you store all your valuables in a secure place while you are gone, such as a safe-deposit box in a bank?</p>

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