Home Safety Checklist

This checklist is designed to help homeowners determine areas of a home that need to be checked for safety concerns. This check list does not represent all of the areas of a home that need the be checked or maintained.

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Are there smoke detectors in each bedroom and in a common living area?	□ Yes	No
Are the smoke detectors powered by the main electrical supply with a battery backup?		
Are all counter electrical outlets protected by a clearly	Yes	
visible circuit breaker?	Yes	No
Has the contractor installed fireblocking where needed in the stud runs and at the top and bottom of all stairways?	☐ Yes	No
Have the spaces around wires and pipes been firestopped and treated against the passage of toxic fumes with an approved firestopping filler, (not foam, fiberglass or rockwool).	☐ Yes	No
Is the home certified as being FireSafe?	□ Yes	No
Has all framing been done with common nails as opposed to sinkers?	□ Yes	No
Have hurricane straps been installed between the roof trusses and framing?	☐ Yes	No
Is there a first floor bedroom and bath to accommodate you following surgery or after childbirth?	☐ Yes	No
Is outside air provided to the fireplace, gas hot water heater or other fuel burning fixture?	□ Yes	No
Is there a carbon monoxide detector located near the bedroom area?	□ Yes	No
Do all chimneys have good clearance above the roof line?	□ Yes	□ No
In areas where Radon gas might exist, has the home been built with Radon mitigation venting already installed?	□ Yes	No
Will a ramp for handicap access be easily installed on the property if it is ever needed?	□ Yes	No No
In urban areas where window bars are used, will they be an impediment to escape in the event of a fire?	□ Yes	No
Are areas around swimming pools clearly inaccessible to young children? Do all doors and/or gates to swimming pool areas close and latch automatically? Are all the latching devices at least 48" high?	☐ Yes	No
Can deadbolt locks be unlocked from the inside without a key? Can a child work the lock and get out in the event of		

fire?	Yes	No
Have steps been taken to seal an attached garage from the living area? The garage should be sealed against the passage of fire or toxic gases including carbon monoxide.	☐ Yes	No