

You're an Official Graduate of the *Fire Danger Ranger*™ Program

Certificate of Achievement



This certifies that _____
has completed all the required activities to become
an official *Fire Danger Ranger*. Congratulations!



Chief, the Fire Dog, Signature

Teacher's Signature

Fire Danger Ranger Signature

Date



Reproducible Master

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child has participated in a special safety program at school sponsored by the First Alert® brand of products. It is a brand committed to your family's safety through its leadership in the development of safety products. Since all of the activities in this program have required your participation, we hope that you have learned right along with your child. No doubt he or she is leading the way as your family takes crucial steps toward being prepared in the event of a fire or carbon monoxide emergency in your home.

You should know that working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in a home fire by 50%. This is important because in the United States a fire starts in a home just like yours every 82 seconds. A fire can double in intensity every 30 seconds, therefore, it only takes five to ten minutes for a two-story home to become totally engulfed. The sooner you know the fire is there, the faster you can start moving your family to safety.

Perhaps the most overlooked home hazard is carbon monoxide (CO)—a colorless, odorless gas produced by certain household appliances. Carbon monoxide is the number one cause of accidental poisoning deaths in the United States. It can harm or kill a person in less than 15 minutes. Because it is a silent hazard whose symptoms mimic those of the flu, many people don't know they've been affected until it is too late. A CO alarm sounds when too much carbon monoxide is present, giving you adequate time to get your family out of the house safely.

With these facts at hand, it is easy to see that having the equipment *and* making sure it works by testing it every month will allow you to be prepared, helping protect what you value most—your family. For more information on home safety equipment, visit the First Alert® brand of products at www.firstalert.com.

Some Home Safety Tips

Smoke Alarms

- A smoke alarm should be located on every level of the home and in the halls outside each bedroom.
- A smoke alarm should be inside the bedroom of any family member who sleeps with his or her bedroom door closed. Fire spreads quickly! By the time it reaches the door to set off the hallway alarm, it could be a dangerous situation.



Fire Extinguishers

- Every home should have at least one fire extinguisher. Since most fires happen in the kitchen, this would be the best spot.
- It is best to have at least one fire extinguisher on each level of the home.

Carbon monoxide Alarms

- At least one CO alarm should be located on every level of the home, especially outside bedrooms.
- CO alarms should not be placed less than 15 feet from a gas appliance, and they should not be plugged into an outlet that is controlled by a wall switch.

