

City of San Antonio
San Antonio Fire Department – Fire Prevention Division

CHECKLIST FOR FOSTER CARE

GENERAL

1. Posted address on front of house
2. No Double cylinder key locks allowed (There should be no place to insert key from inside)
3. No burglar bars on doors
4. Require one 2A10BC fire extinguisher with a current inspection tag (inspected last year or brand new out of box) Two-stories will require two (2) extinguishers (one for each floor)

WINDOWS

1. No burglar bars in sleeping rooms
2. All sleeping rooms' windows must be at least 20 inches in width and at least 24 inches in height and a minimum of 5.7 sq. ft. in area
EXCEPTION: Sleeping rooms with a door leading directly to the exterior

HEATING

1. No space heaters allowed *Note:* If occupant removed space heater they must also cap off gas outlet
2. All other gas heating systems must be vented to the exterior

SMOKE DETECTORS

1. Smoke detectors are required in hallways and in each bedroom
2. Detectors shall be mounted on the ceiling or wall at a point centrally located in the corridor. Detectors shall not be placed within 4" from ceiling if wall-mounted or 4" from wall if ceiling mounted. Detectors shall be at least 3 feet away from air conditioning vents or tips of ceiling fans

WATER HEATERS

1. Water heaters shall have pressure relief valves
2. All gas-fired water heaters shall be properly vented
3. All gas-fired water heaters shall have adequate air for combustion
4. Gas-fired water heaters shall not be located in bedrooms or bathrooms

NOTE: *Other requirements may follow pending results of fire inspection*

INSPECTION FEE: \$ 103.00 (Annually) subject to change

OFFICE HOURS: 7:45 to 4:15 Monday-Friday