

FIRE: MESSAGES

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About the Message Library

People affected by disaster must have access to timely, appropriate and accurate information to help them keep themselves and their families safe and well. They should know their rights, entitlements and be able to give feedback. Responders have a duty to put in place appropriate, systematic and coordinated mechanisms to ensure this.

Our Message Library offers clear, concise and simple messages on a range of topics as templates for you to adapt and use in the context you are working in. These are intended to help you make a quick start on communicating with communities while you further develop mechanisms for on-going dialogue with diverse groups within each community.

For help contextualising and using the messages we recommend you do our e-learning course and read the following technical guidance.

E-learning

<https://kayaconnect.org/course/info.php?id=768>

Guidance

<https://www.cdacnetwork.org/tools-guidance/cdac-message-library-user-guidance>

This message set is currently under development. If you can help us with this, please get in touch at info@cdacnetwork.org.

What to do in a fire (if you are indoors)

In case of fire, crouch down low to avoid the smoke and move towards a safe location. Before opening a door, ensure it is not too hot to touch. Always close the door behind you to help stop the fire from spreading.

What to do if a child's clothing catches fire?

If your child's clothing catches fire, quickly wrap the child in a blanket or clothing or roll him or her on the ground to put out the fire.

See also message topic on:

- Burns

REFERENCES

For more information on this topic, we recommend you read the following references.

Habitat for Humanity (2021). **Family preparedness plan.**
www.habitat.org/our-work/disaster-response/disaster-preparedness-homeowners/family-preparedness-plan

Habitat for Humanity (2021). **Wildfires.**
www.habitat.org/our-work/disaster-response/disaster-preparedness-homeowners/wildfires

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If you would like to contribute to topic reviews, have found a message that needs greater clarity, or wish to create a new topic, please contact us at info@cdacnetwork.org.