

Arson Prevention – Children

The Arson Prevention Program is an awareness program designed to promote/foster attitudes and behaviours that will result in good fire safety practices.

For most children, fire play is the result of a normal curiosity about fire. For others, fire play is a symptom of other problems. Either way, this is a dangerous situation.

Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services, in partnership with mental health affiliates has access to educational programs and resources designed to assist families experiencing inappropriate fire setting. The program currently targets youth's aged 2 through 17. Parents, guardians or caregivers that are concerned about juvenile fire setting should contact Fire Protection and Prevention Services as soon as possible.

Facts of Fire Setting

Fire setting by children and adolescents is extremely common.

Fires are second only to transportation accidents as the cause of accidental death among children.

Studies of children have found that approximately 40% of boys engage in fire play.

Home Safe Home

In home consultation is available to residents to help address and solve problems relating to smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors, fire escape planning or general fire prevention measures. All members of the family are encouraged to be a part of this information sharing process.



Fire in Your Apartment Building

Are you concerned about a fire in your apartment building?

Are you wondering what you should do in the event the fire alarm bells start to sound?

Fire Prevention Staff can visit you and your building and provide you answers to your questions. Just call and set up an appointment with our Staff.

If you would like more information regarding our Education Programs, please contact:

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c/o Halton Hills Fire Protection & Prevention Services

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***“Let Us Help You Make Halton Hills
The Safest Community in Ontario”***

Proactive Public Fire & Life Safety Education programs are the keys to preventing fires and eliminating **property loss, serious injury or death!**



Sparky the Fire Dog is a trademark of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), Quincy, Massachusetts.

Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services offer the following educational and interactive programs:

Preschool Learn Not to Burn

Using established lesson plans, commercial daycare centres and preschool teachers can show preschoolers appropriate techniques to identify risks and avoid serious burn injuries.

Core components such as:

- **Recognizing the Firefighter**
- **Crawling low under Smoke**
- **Knowing the sound of a Smoke Alarm**
- **Calling 911**
- **Stop, Drop & Roll**

make for fun and informative lessons!

Firefighter visits to your location or fire hall tours compliment the lessons and provide reinforcement of appropriate life safety behaviours.

This is a great opportunity for Sparky the Fire Dog and the friendly Firefighters to meet you and your group!

Risk Watch Program

Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services, in conjunction with the Halton Hills **Risk Watch** Coalition provides elementary school children, their teachers and families with the educational resources needed to reduce preventable injuries.

Risk Watch teachers and families help children promote, practice and apply learned skills to make safe choices. The program enhances the Health & Safety curriculum as outlined by provincial education standards.

The curriculum offers many opportunities for participation by Risk Watch Coalition Partners who help reinforce classroom lessons with additional information and a “real world perspective”.

As Champions of this program, Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services are pleased to present **The Fire & Burn Prevention** component.

Where possible, Fire Protection and Prevention Services assist other Risk Watch Safety Partners address life safety behaviours such as:

- **Motor Vehicle Safety**
- **Choking, Suffocation, Strangulation Prevention**
- **Poisoning Prevention**
- **Falls Prevention**
- **Firearms Injury Prevention**
- **Bike & Pedestrian Safety**
- **Water Safety**

Fire Extinguisher Training

Learn the proper techniques of how to identify and eliminate the causes of a fire emergency, use competent extinguishing tactics, and utilize effective procedures in co-operation with fire suppression staff.

A combination theory and practical session will provide you with the confidence to either “stay and fight the fire” and/or “safely evacuate” the building until fire suppression units arrive the scene.

Sessions can accommodate up to 20 people at one time. Fire extinguisher training (full or modified) can be facilitated at the Public Education Centre or your home or worksite.



Successful participants will receive a certificate of participation.

Fire Station Tours

Fire station tours are an excellent opportunity for your group to visit with the firefighters and to gain an understanding of the equipment that is used.

An interactive session of fire safety games, quizzes, videos, and “hands-on” opportunities await you. Sessions can be “tailor” made to meet your “badge” or group requirements.

Parents, leaders, caregivers and participants of all ages are encouraged to attend and become part of the fun!

Seniors Fire Safety

Our “Seniors Fire Safety” and “Older & Wiser” programs help older adults address their own personal fire safety needs.

This program encourages older adults, their friends and families to identify and discuss fire safety risks associated with challenges such as deteriorating health, physical barriers, and special requirements.

Older adults will receive information and consultation services designed to help ensure proper home fire escape planning.

Workplace Fire Safety Programs

Instructional programs are available to help workplaces deal with their fire safety and emergency planning contingencies.

Identifying concerns and making the workplace safe from fire should be of primary concern to employees and employers. Fire safety education programs teamed up with pro-active and co-operative fire inspection and maintenance scheduling will help to eliminate costly shutdowns due to fire loss.