

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Simple Steps To Stay Safe

(NAPSA)—Hundreds of thousands of lives are saved in the United States each year by first responders such as fire fighters, policemen and emergency medical technicians. These men and women risk their lives every day to save the lives of people like you and me.

By doing all you can to keep yourself safe, you're helping these first responders. By taking steps to prevent fires and learning what to do if confronted by a fire in the home, every family can make a difference. In order to raise fire safety awareness as well as reduce fires and fire-related deaths, DuPont offers these important fire safety tips.

1. Don't get smoked—Install and maintain smoke alarms and be sure to change the batteries twice a year.

2. Get out fast—If you smell smoke or hear the alarm, immediately leave your home.

3. Stay out—Once you are out, stay out! Don't go back in the house for anything.

4. Dial the digits—Call 911 only after you get out of the house.

5. Feel for heat—If the door is hot, there may be a fire on the other side. Don't grab the door-knob!

6. Keep your nose to the ground—Since smoke rises, the safest air for breathing is down low.

7. Have a dress rehearsal—Be prepared! Practice with your family how to safely get out of your home if there is a fire.

8. Stop, drop and roll—Should you or your clothing catch fire,



drop to the ground and roll to put out the flames.

9. Put it out—Every home should have one or more fire extinguishers.

10. Unplug it—Check to make sure appliances have been turned off and unplugged, especially when you're going to be out of the house for an extended period of time.

In addition to helping citizens stay safe through fire safety awareness, DuPont plays an important role in protecting the people who protect us. The protective gear worn by first responders allows them to successfully handle risky situations. The majority of turnout coats and pants worn by firefighters in the U.S. are made with DuPont Kevlar and Nomex brand fibers, giving them the protection needed to navigate dangerous fires with minimal harm.

These first responders are truly heroes. By protecting your home and teaching your family about fire safety, you, too, can be a hero.