

February 2025 Real Estate Calendar: Fire protection best practices

This calendar is designed to enhance safety awareness and provide a better understanding of specific loss exposures and best practices to reduce those exposures. Each month will contain a safety topic and daily associated tips. See the following page for weekly topics.

Fire protection best practices. There are over 1.5M fires in the United States each year. They result in an average of 4,000 deaths and \$20B in property losses.¹ Good fire prevention and protection practices are essential to the safety of staff and guests as well as the protection of property. Learn more about fire protection best practices below.

1. "Fire loss in the United States," Shelby Hall, accessed January 9, 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 Training in fire safety practices	Groundhog Day 3 Inspection of heat and flame producing equipment	4 IR testing of electrical systems	5 Inspection and testing of fire extinguishers	6 Repair or replacement of damaged equipment	7 Inspection and testing of fire exit egress	8 Proper housekeeping practices
Week 1: Fire prevention						
9 Inspection of smoke and heat detectors	10 Testing of detectors	11 Battery replacement	12 Maintenance of alarm systems	13 Ensuring of audibility of warning and evacuation signals	Valentine's Day 14 Training in incipient fire recognition	15 Maintenance of ventilation and exhaust systems
Week 2: Fire detection						
16 Proper selection and placement for portable fire extinguishers	President's Day 17 Inspection of fire extinguishers	18 Recharging of portable fire extinguishers	19 Training in use of portable fire extinguishers	20 Testing and maintenance of kitchen fire extinguishment systems	21 Sprinkler system inspection	22 Sprinkler system water flow testing
Week 3: Fire extinguishment						
23 Posting of emergency service numbers	24 State or municipality mandated inspections	25 Evacuation practices by fire departments	26 Communication with paid or volunteer fire officials	27 Fire hydrant or private water source inspection and maintenance	28 Clearance of and designated area for staging a firefighting effort	
Week 4: Public services						

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Week 1

Fire prevention

1. Training in fire safety practices
2. Inspection of heat and flame producing equipment
3. IR testing of electrical systems
4. Inspection and testing of fire extinguishers
5. Repair or replacement of damaged equipment
6. Inspection and testing of fire exit egress
7. Proper housekeeping practices

Week 2

Fire detection

1. Inspection of smoke and heat detectors
2. Testing of detectors
3. Battery replacement
4. Maintenance of alarm systems
5. Ensuring of audibility of warning and evacuation signals
6. Training in incipient fire recognition
7. Maintenance of ventilation and exhaust systems

Week 3

Fire extinguishment

1. Proper selection and placement for portable fire extinguishers
2. Inspection of fire extinguishers
3. Recharging of portable fire extinguishers
4. Training in use of portable fire extinguishers
5. Testing and maintenance of kitchen fire extinguishment systems
6. Sprinkler system inspection
7. Sprinkler system water flow testing

Week 4

Public services

1. Posting of emergency service numbers
2. State or municipality mandated inspections
3. Evacuation practices by fire departments
4. Communication with paid or volunteer fire officials
5. Fire hydrant or private water source inspection and maintenance
6. Clearance of and designated area for staging a firefighting effort

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