

FIRE SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT

Person assessing

Name:

Organisation:

Customer/Service User

Name:

Title:

Address

Postcode:

Telephone Number:

DOB:

	Vulnerability/Risk Assessment	Yes/No	Control measures	Comments
Smoke Detectors give the earliest warning of the fire	Does the person have a working smoke detector on each level of your home? (The person undertaking this risk assessment should test each detector if possible.)			

Smoking is a major contributor to serious injury and death from accidental fires in the home	Are there signs of burns on carpet, furniture, bedding or clothing?			
	Is there evidence of smoking in bed?			
	If fire retardant bedding is being used, does the person place combustible items over the bedding?			
	Is an airflow mattress in use?			
	Are the carelessly discarded cigarettes or matches present?			
	Are there overflowing ashtrays?			
	Are lighters or matches within reach of children?			
Physical Impairment/ Limited Mobility/ Reduced Manual Dexterity	Does the person have mobility impairment that means they would be slow to vacate the property in the event of a fire? E.g. wheelchair, walking frame			
	Does the person have reduced manual dexterity?			
	Would the person require specialist teams or equipment to exit the property in the event of a fire e.g. bed dependent or bariatric			
Drug and alcohol dependency/misuse	Are there indications of excessive consumption of alcohol?			
	Are there indications of substance misuse?			
	Would either of the above affect the person's ability to recognise and respond appropriately in the case of a fire?			

Prescription Medication	Does the medication or any of its side effects inhibit the person's ability to recognise and respond appropriately in the case of fire?			
Mental Ill Health	Does the person have a diagnosed condition that requires medication?			
	Does the medication or any of its side effects inhibit the person's ability, to recognise and respond appropriately in the case of fire?			
	Does the person exhibit any fire setting behaviours?			
Dementia	Does the person have dementia?			
	Does their dementia affect their ability to recognise and respond appropriately in the case of fire?			
	Is there evidence of previous cooking related fire incidents?			
Hoarding Behaviours	Does the person have hoarding behaviours?			
	Are escape routes blocked by the hoard?			
	Does the content of the hoard include hazardous or highly flammable materials?			
	Is the hoard located close to ignition sources such as gas fires or cookers?			

Learning Disability	Does the person have a learning disability?			
	Does this disability affect the person's ability to retain safety information, which could affect their ability to recognise and respond appropriately in the case of fire?			
	Is there evidence of inappropriate befriending that increases the risk of fire within the property? E.g. substance misuse, fire setting			
Heaters and Open Fires	Are portable heaters on a solid stable surface? (ideally secured to a wall)			
	Are there combustible items that could be ignited, close to a heater or fire? e.g bedding, clothing, paper, furniture, curtains			
	Are heaters are covered? i.e used for drying clothes?			
	Are individuals sitting too close to fires and heaters?			
	Are there trip hazards around heaters/ open fires?			
Hearing Impairment	Does the person have a hearing impairment?			
	Is the current smoke detector appropriate for the person? i.e. it does it have strobe or vibrating pillow pad			
	Can everyday tasks such as cooking be carried out safely?			

Visual Impairment	Does the person have a visual impairment?			
	Are potential escape routes blocked?			
Electrical Appliances	Are there damaged or overloaded sockets within the property?			
	Are there combustibles such as clothing or newspapers placed too close to electrical appliances?			
	Does the person use an electric blanket?			
	Are there any known faulty electrical appliances within the property?			
Medical Oxygen	Is there medical oxygen in the property?			
	Are there additional oxygen cylinders stored within the property?			
	Does the person smoke?			
Emollient creams	Is the emollient cream paraffin based?			
	Does the individual smoke?			
	Does the individual come into contact with naked flames? i.e. gas fire, gas cooking etc			
	Is there evidence of clothing and bedding being impregnated with the emollient cream?			
Incontinence Pads	Are the pads stored away from heat sources and naked flames?			

Air flow mattresses overlays and cushions used in a domestic dwelling	Is the individual allowed to smoke in bed unsupervised?			
	Is there evidence of accidental fire damage? (scorch marks on bedding, carpets, clothing or careless disposal of smoking material)			
	Are there any combustibles or items that could damage the mattress stored next or near to the bed? (heaters, electrical items, candles etc.)			
	Is there evidence of overloaded electrical sockets?			
Additional Information	Does the person live by themselves in this property?			
	Is the person in receipt of benefits?			
	Is the person over 65?			
Consent to Refer for a Safe and Well Visit	Do you have the persons consent to refer them to WMFS for a Safe and Well Visit?			

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