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Safety Tips for Babysitters

Babysitters are responsible for both the children and the property of their employer. Here are some tips to help you keep yourself and the children safe:

Bring with you...

- flash light,
- Telephone stickers of emergency numbers.

When you arrive, ask:

- For emergency phone numbers such as the Fire Department, Poison Control Centre number, ambulance, medical, and list of names of telephone numbers that you need to contact in case of an emergency.
- if the family has a fire escape plan and if the children have practiced it
- the full address of the residence;
- a phone number where your employer can be reached;
- for a tour of the house, and take careful note of exits;
- how door locks and windows work; and
- where the smoke alarm is, if it works, and if the children know what it sounds like.

When the parents leave, check:

- that doors and windows are locked;
- the kitchen to ensure that the oven and stove are off,
- the living room to ensure there are no lit cigarettes, and
- the bedrooms to be sure that nothing unsafe is lying in a child's reach.

We recommend that babysitters under the age of 16 do not use cooking or heating stoves.