



# Home Fire Escape Plan: Special Needs



In South Carolina, one out of every three adults has a disability. These include mobility, hearing or vision loss, or a combination of disabilities.

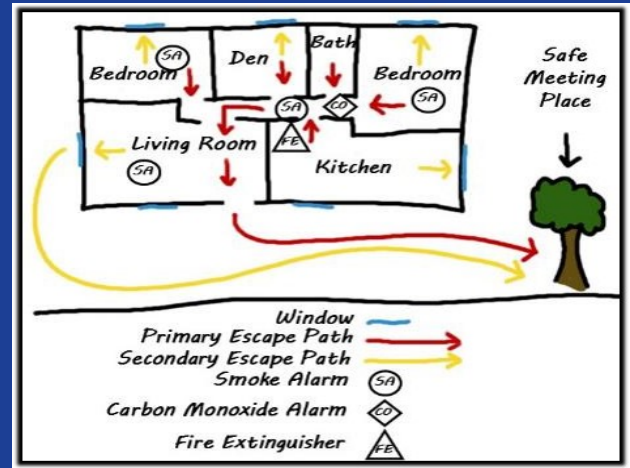
Additional care may be needed when practicing home fire escape plans with those with a disability. Make sure to include these needs while creating and practicing your plan.

## Hearing Loss:

Install bed-shaker alarms and strobe smoke alarms. They will alert you when you are sleep or if you are not using your hearing aids.



## Fire Escape Planner



Practice your home fire escape drill at different times of the day and when using your mobility device.

Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, in the hallways, in the living room, and on every level of the home.

## SAFETY TIPS

Sleep on the ground floor, especially if you need more time to escape. If possible, sleep in a room with a door to the outside.

Keep your phone, hearing aids, and glasses close to your bed.

Keep the home and sleeping area clutter-free.

Ensure paths are adequately lit.

## Vision Loss:

Plan and practice home fire escape drills. Include your service animal, if applicable.



**TIP:** Let your local fire department know if someone in your home needs extra assistance to escape or may have difficulty escaping.