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Care of Children

- Do you make it a rule never to leave small children alone or unattended?
- Did you show your childcare person the escape routes from your home, and give instructions on how to contact the Fire Department?
- Do your childcare person (and you) know the first rule of safety in fire emergencies: **Get everybody out fast and do not go back in?**
- Are your children trained to keep a safe distance from flame and spark sources?
- Do you hold regular fire drills with your family, including domestic staff?

Electrical

- Do you check your fuse box regularly to see that only specified "sizes" are being used?
- Are all electrical appliances in good condition? Are they being properly operated?
- Are all electric motors kept oiled, clean and free from dirt accumulation?

Lightning Protection

- Has your radio or television antenna been equipped with a properly grounded lightning arrester? Verify and discuss with your Mission Security Officer.

Heating Equipment (where feasible)

- Have your stoves, furnace, chimney and smoke pipes been checked and cleaned within the past year?
- Do you prohibit the use of gasoline or kerosene for starting or quickening fires in your home?
- Is the hearth of your fireplace covered with a metal screen to prevent sparks from flying onto the carpet or furniture?
- Is your portable heater always placed on a level floor to ensure proper operation?
- Do you always refill the fuel tanks of portable heaters outside and in the daylight?
- If you use a wick-type portable oil heater, do you trim the wick and clean it regularly?
- Do you always turn your portable heater off upon retiring at night or when moving it from one part of the house to another?

Flammable Liquids

- Are small quantities of gasoline stored in safety cans?