

## **DO YOU KNOW HOW TO PURIFY DRINKING WATER?**

To purify drinking water use any of the following methods:

1. Boil for 5-10 minutes.
2. Add 10 drops of household bleach solution per gallon of water, mix well and let stand for 30 minutes. A slight smell or taste of chlorine indicates water is good to drink.
3. Add household tincture of iodine in the same manner as bleach above.
4. Use commercial purification tablets such as Halazone or Globaline. Follow package instructions. Learn how to remove the water in the hot water heater and other water supplies.

## **HAVE YOU INSPECTED YOUR HOME LATELY?**

- Secure water heater, refrigerator, tall and heavy furniture to wall studs.
- Move heavy items to lower shelves.
- Install clips, latches and other locking devices on cabinet doors.
- Provide strong support and flexible connections on gas appliances.
- Remove or isolate flammable materials.

## **WHERE ARE EMERGENCY SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT LOCATED?**

Fire extinguisher: \_\_\_\_\_

Flashlight/Batteries: \_\_\_\_\_

Portable radio: \_\_\_\_\_

Tools: \_\_\_\_\_

Safety equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

Water: \_\_\_\_\_

Sanitation supplies: \_\_\_\_\_

Food: \_\_\_\_\_

Cooking equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

Blankets: \_\_\_\_\_

Prescription glasses: \_\_\_\_\_

Medication: \_\_\_\_\_

First aid supplies: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete set of clothes, shoes, gloves: \_\_\_\_\_

## DO YOU KNOW WHERE TO SHUT OFF UTILITIES TO YOUR HOME?

Location of gas valve \_\_\_\_\_

Location of wrench \_\_\_\_\_

Location of main water valve \_\_\_\_\_

Location of main circuit breaker \_\_\_\_\_

Location of other utilities \_\_\_\_\_

## SMOKE DETECTORS

**Install** one on every level of your home and in each sleeping area *but away from air outlet vents*. Install either on the ceiling, at least 6" to 12" inches from the wall, or on the wall, at least 6" to 12" inches down from the ceiling.

**Each month** test by pushing the test button and vacuum away cob webs and dust.

**Replace** batteries once yearly. *An easy way to remember - change batteries every fall when clocks are changed from daylight savings time.*

**Replace** any smoke detector over 10 years old.

## UTILITIES

Locate and teach all responsible family members and neighbors how to shut off the main electric box, water service and propane gas at your home. Keep necessary tools near gas and water shut off valves. Only turn off utilities if you suspect the lines are damaged or if you are instructed to do so by authorities. *Remember, you will need a professional to turn back on the gas.*