



Final Checklist Before Leaving Home
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Check off all that apply:

- Close all windows and remove any flammable materials that are hung on or near the window
- Turn off air conditioner
- Turn off ceiling fans
- Turn off exhaust fans
- Close all interior and exterior doors
- Close garage door and windows
- Close out building doors and windows
- Turn off electric fence if you have one
- Turn off sprinklers
- Put hoses in a visible location in front and back of house
- Put tallest ladder you have in a visible location in front of house
- Put chain saw in a location in front of house
- Move anything with gas or propane in it away from house/garage/sheds/etc.
- Turn off propane tank
- Post filled out **Emergency Contact Information** form on front/back door or any other exterior door
- Post filled out **Everyone Evacuated All Clear** sign on front/back door or any other exterior door or Post **People Still Here** sign in the same locations
- Post filled out **Animal Evacuation** sign on front/back door and any animal enclosures, including barn
- If all animals were not evacuated fill up multiple water bowls and put out food for several days
- If any animals are in an enclosed area, give them an escape route – DO NOT leave them confined
- NOTE: If there is an animal in the house you can't locate, such as a cat, leaving a window and the door in the room where you suspect they are, gives them an escape route, but it also can give sparks easier access to the inside of your house. This has to be your call as to what you want to do.

Each property is unique so add any other tasks that need to be done before leaving to make your property as fire safe as possible.

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SAFETY TIP!
While preparing to leave, be sure someone is continuing to monitor the current disaster.