

New York State
Office of Fire Prevention and Control

Fire Safety House

What is a Fire Safety House?

The Fire Safety House is a hands-on learning tool that gives children and their families the skills and knowledge they need to create safer homes and communities. A virtual “home” on wheels, it is complete with kitchen, living room and bedroom – all of which the fire safety educator can use



to reinforce the lessons taught in traditional settings like the classroom. The students through the additional senses of sight, touch and smell that the fire safety house provides, receive a more realistic and influential lesson in fire safe behavior.

Students get to see, touch, smell and most importantly – perform! The kitchen has all the typical appliances and their associated hazards. Kids get to identify and correct potentially dangerous situations. The living room too comes equipped with

various hazards and serves as a quaint assembly room. A functioning telephone system permits the fire discoverer to “make a call” to a 911 dispatcher, learning what vital information must be relayed.



In the bedroom, awakened by the sound of the smoke detector, students will actually feel the door, safely open it and then navigate under a cloud of theatrical smoke to the outdoors – and if that option is unsafe, they can flee through the bedroom window and down the fire escape ladder.

It Isn't Just for Kids.



One of the things it can do is transform into a college residence hall - with lamps, electronics, posters and all the typical fire hazards college students have in their dorm room. We want them to see a room that more accurately represents their environment. Many of the fires on-campus and in off campus housing are the result of simple carelessness. Our focus is to deal with the student mentality and infuse a sense of simple responsibility.

There's More!

In addition to the trailer, there are additional props, including TV/DVD's, Sparky the Fire Dog®, handouts, animated robots and other items to allow outside educational activities to occur simultaneously to the training going on inside the trailers.



And Still More!

Educate your community on the effectiveness of residential and commercial sprinkler systems. The dramatic "live-fire" demonstrations the trailer permits are an eye-opener that can be viewed from outside the coach. The audience will see just how quickly a small trash fire can escalate into a full-scale fire. Within seconds, the sprinkler head extinguishes the fire.



Show homeowners in your community that residential sprinkler systems take fire protection a step further by fighting fire in its early

stages before it spreads out of control. Modern sprinkler technology has made it affordable and easier to have sprinklers installed in the home. Installing a system into an existing home can be done for about the cost of upgrading carpet.



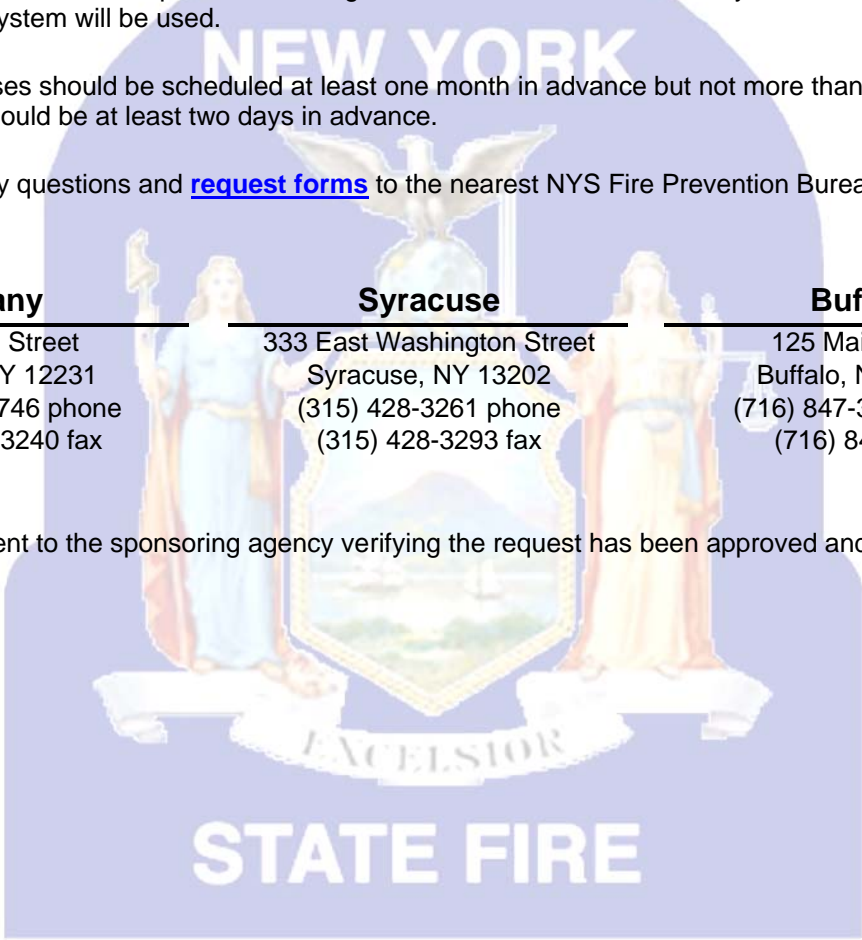
How to Request a Fire Safety House Appear at Your Event

All requests for appearance of a New York State, Office of Fire Prevention and Control, Fire Safety House must be documented on the [request form](#), by a local sponsoring agency.

OFPC will give priority to those agencies who have involved their local fire department and/or other injury prevention organizations their event. Approval will be based on availability of a trailer on the requested date and completion of the request form. At high demand times, such as holidays and Fire Prevention Week a lottery system will be used.

Fire Safety Houses should be scheduled at least one month in advance but not more than one year. Cancellations should be at least two days in advance.

Please direct any questions and [request forms](#) to the nearest NYS Fire Prevention Bureau office listed below.



Albany	Syracuse	Buffalo
41 State Street Albany, NY 12231 (518) 474-6746 phone (518) 474-3240 fax	333 East Washington Street Syracuse, NY 13202 (315) 428-3261 phone (315) 428-3293 fax	125 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14203 (716) 847-3320 phone (716) 847-3494

A letter will be sent to the sponsoring agency verifying the request has been approved and a trailer scheduled.

For additional information concerning the use of a Fire Safety House contact the NYS Fire Prevention Bureau office at the nearest location listed above.