

Fire Safety Rules

PREVENTION	
To reduce fire risk and life safety hazards:	
→	Do not place burning materials such as cigarettes and ashes into garbage.
→	Do not dispose of flammable liquids or aerosol cans in garbage.
→	Lint trap in dryer to be cleaned after each use.
→	If using candles, ensure they are secured in a sturdy holder away from any combustible materials. Always extinguish the candle before leaving any room and going to bed.
→	Space heaters to be placed at least 1 metre (3 feet) from any combustible material.
→	Storage areas to be kept neat and tidy.
→	Do not block exit doors.
All electrical equipment must be approved and labelled by the Canadian Standards Association and / or Underwriters Laboratories of Canada.	
→	Do not use unsafe electrical appliances, frayed extension cords or over loaded outlets.
→	Extension cords are designed for temporary use. If additional outlets are required, use a powerbar with a surge protector.
→	All electrical items to be appropriately grounded. Any damaged or exposed wiring to be repaired immediately.
→	DO NOT ATTEMPT TO COOK WHILE TIRED OR UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL.
→	Avoid unsafe cooking practices: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Deep fat frying -Unattended stove - Too much heat -Loosely hanging sleeves
→	The use of hot plates, grills and other electrical cooking appliances are not permitted in individual rooms.
→	Food preparation only in areas approved and designed for cooking.
In the event of a fire or smoke alarm activation, you must evacuate. If prepared, your escape will be quick and effective.	
→	In case of fire: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stay calm - Safely notify all occupants - Leave the building - Call 9-1-1
→	If you hear the smoke alarm or carbon monoxide alarm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leave your personal belongings - Feel the door before opening. If it is hot, do not open the door, use the window as your escape or call for help - If the door is not hot, open it slowly and make your way to the nearest exit, crawling low if smoke is present. - If your exit becomes unavailable, find a room to enter, if possible, call 9-1-1 to let them know your location, seal cracks in the door, breathe through a wet cloth if smoke is present.

- Draw a floor plan of the house showing two ways out of every room, if possible.
- Show all fire protection equipment (smoke alarms, carbon monoxide alarms, fire extinguisher).
- Show a meeting place (choose a spot in front of the house).

A large grid of graph paper, consisting of 30 columns and 30 rows of small squares, intended for drawing a floor plan.

For more information about home fire escape planning, contact:
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