

# Fire Safety Tips

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## Smoke Detector Safety

- Install a smoke detector on every floor and outside of each bedroom in your home
- Test and clean you smoke detectors monthly
- Change batteries at least once a year
- Prepare and Practice an escape plan, when an alarm sounds **GET OUT FAST**

## Children and Fire Safety

Keep lighters and matches away from children—

**REMEMBER THAT THEY ARE TOOLS NOT TOYS**

- Teach children how to call for emergency assistance
- Use safety plugs in electrical outlets

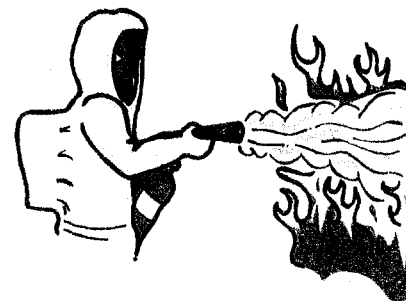
## Cooking Safety

- Install a smoke detector near the kitchen
- Never leave food unattended on the stove
- Keep dangling clothing away from burners
- Keep appliances clean and free of grease and crumbs
- Keep combustibles away from cooking area
- Turn pot handles inward on the stove where you can't bump them and children can't grab them



## Wood Stoves and Fireplaces

- Use only seasoned wood never green wood, artificial logs or trash
- Always use a protective screen
- Clean interiors, hearths, and chimneys annually



## Portable Heaters

- Keep portable heaters and space heaters at least three feet away from anything that can burn
- Never leave heaters on when you leave home or go to bed
- Use heaters only in well-ventilated rooms
- Keep children and pets away from heaters
- Place heaters where they will not be knocked over easily

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