

Fire Safety Bulletin – Home Fire-Safety Basics

- ✓ The leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unattended cooking. Stay in the kitchen when you are frying, grilling, or broiling food. Keep children and pets at least 3 feet away from the stove.
- ✓ Practice electrical safety. Replace cracked and damaged electrical cords. Use extension cords for temporary wiring. Call a qualified electrician or landlord if you have recurring problems with blowing fuses or tripping circuit breakers.
- ✓ Install smoke alarms in every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. Test smoke alarms at least once a month using the test button.
- ✓ Have a home fire escape plan. Know at least two ways out of every room, if possible, and a meeting place outside. Practice your escape plan twice a year.
- ✓ When the smoke alarm sounds, get out and stay out.