

Seven ways to help prevent house fires

This year, we've seen a rise in fire claims, with the most common causes being faulty charging equipment, products from budget brands and chip pans.

That's why it's essential to protect against the devastating effects of fire – now more than ever. So, we're here for you with seven ways to help prevent house fires. Just follow these simple steps to keep you and your family safe. And whatever happens, we'll be with you every step of the way.

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Make sure candles are secured in their holders and kept away from curtains, blinds or materials that might catch fire.

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Have a working smoke alarm installed on every level of your home. Check the batteries once a week and change them at least once a year.

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Always stub out and carefully dispose of cigarettes. Don't smoke in bed or when tired.

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Keep inside doors closed, particularly at night. That can help slow down a fire.

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Plan an escape route. Keep all exits clear of clutter.

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Don't overload plug sockets. Try to stick to one appliance per socket.

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Make sure wiring is safe. Only ever use a qualified electrician to carry out electrical work.