



Safety Talk

Fire Safety



Fire safety is the set of practices intended to reduce the destruction caused by fire. Fire safety measures include those that are intended to prevent ignition of an uncontrolled fire, and those that are used to limit the development and effects of a fire after it starts.

Statistics show that, on average, fire kills eight people each week in Canada, with residential fires accounting for 73% of these fatalities. Please practice a Fire Evacuation Drill at home with your children.

A fire safety plan is a detailed document that covers all aspects of fire safety for a specific building or property. The plan will outline:

- A safe and orderly way for occupants to evacuate the building.
- Proper maintenance and housekeeping required to prevent fires.
- Methods of control that minimize the damage from fires when they do occur.

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The Importance of Housekeeping

- Clutter contributes to fires by providing fuel and by preventing access to exits and emergency equipment.
- Report electrical hazards. Many fires start in faulty wiring and malfunctioning electrical equipment.
- Maintain machinery to prevent overheating and friction sparks.
- Maintain free access to all electrical control panels and turn off all electrical appliances at the end of each day.
- Use and store chemicals safely. Read the label and the Safety Data Sheet to determine flammability and other fire hazards.



What to do in case of an Emergency

- Upon finding a fire, call 911 immediately and don't hang up with the emergency responder until told to do so.
- Close doors when exiting to help limit the spread of smoke and fire throughout the building.
- Never use elevators during an evacuation.
- Follow the escape plan and meet at a pre-determined place outside of your building and away from danger.
- Conduct a headcount to ensure all staff and supervisors are present.



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