

PREVENT ACCIDENTS AT HOME!

Most home fires happen due to problems with the electrical system, gas network, or heat sources. The kitchen is the main place where many fires start.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

- ⚡ Do not make improvised repairs;
- ⚡ Replace damaged wires;
- ⚡ Use proper protections;



- ⚡ Avoid overloading, don't plug too many devices into the same outlet, especially high-consumption ones (washing machines and heaters);
- ⚡ Never extinguish an electrical fire with water. There's a risk of short circuit;
- ⚡ Don't bring water close to electrical installations. There's a risk of electrocution.

COLLABORATE CIVIL PROTECTION STARTS WITH YOU



USEFUL CONTACTS



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HEAT SOURCES

- 🔥 Keep heaters away from furniture;
- 🔥 Do not dry clothes on heaters;
- 🔥 Keep flammable products away from heat sources;
- 🔥 Store flammable liquids in closed containers and place them in ventilated areas;
- 🔥 Properly protect the fireplace to prevent it from becoming a fire hazard;



BE CAUTIOUS. PREVENTION IS THE BEST WAY TO AVOID ACCIDENTS.

Follow the recommendations
in this leaflet and share them.

- 🔥 Do not leave candles burning or poorly extinguished;
- 🔥 Never forget to turn off the iron.

KITCHEN

- 🔥 Never leave the house with the stove or heater on;
- 🔥 Change the exhaust fan filter regularly;
- 🔥 Do not leave gas appliances on near open windows;
- 🔥 If the frying pan grease catches fire:

Immediately turn off the gas;

Do not remove the frying pan from the stove, as this will only spread the fire;

Use a lid, a plate, a damp towel, or a fire blanket to extinguish the fire. Do not use water.



GAS NETWORK

The gas from household appliances, when burned incorrectly due to poor installation or improper adjustment, can lead to the accumulation of carbon monoxide, a toxic gas that can be fatal. Both piped and bottled gas can cause asphyxiation and, when mixed with air, can lead to explosions or fires.

Make periodic inspections of the pipes and confirm their validity. To check for leaks, apply soapy water. Never use a flame!

If you smell gas:

- 🔥 Immediately cut off the gas supply by closing the valve or regulator;
- 🔥 Do not turn electrical switches on or off;
- 🔥 If using a flashlight, turn it on and off outside;
- 🔥 Do not smoke. Extinguish any flames;
- 🔥 Ventilate the area by opening doors and windows until the smell is completely gone.

KEEP FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS, CANDLES, MATCHES, OR LIGHTERS OUT OF CHILDREN'S REACH.

IF YOU ARE TRAVELING, TURN OFF THE GAS VALVES AND DISCONNECT THE ELECTRICITY METER!

KEEP A FIRE EXTINGUISHER AT HOME. LEARN HOW TO USE IT AND PERFORM REGULAR MAINTENANCE.