

FIRE SAFETY TIPS – RESIDENTIAL PREMISES

Discarded Items

1. Do not leave unwanted furniture and items at common areas such as corridors, lift lobbies, void decks and staircases.
2. Arrange with your Town Council or Estate Management Office if you require assistance for the disposal of unwanted bulky items such as cupboards and sofa.

Rubbish Chutes/Bins

1. Completely extinguish lighted materials e.g. cigarettes and sparklers before disposal into rubbish chutes/bins.
2. Completely douse charcoal embers with water before disposal into rubbish chutes/bins.
3. Avoid throwing flammable substances like paint, oil or kerosene into rubbish chutes/bins.

Cooking

1. Never leave cooking unattended as it can result in fires; turn off the gas supply and cooking appliances whenever they are not in use.
2. Keep cooking appliances including the stove-top, cooker hoods and ovens clean and free from grease and in good working condition.
3. Keep flammable liquids e.g. cooking oil and alcohol and combustible materials away from heat sources such as the stove and heat appliances.
4. Keep LPG cylinders in a well-ventilated area and ensure that the supply hose connecting the LPG cylinder to the stove/gas appliances is in good condition, tightly fitted and without leakages.

Electrical Appliances

1. Never overload electrical outlets with electrical appliances.
2. Always switch off appliances when they are not in use.
3. Check the appliance for frayed wires or cracked cords; if observed, the appliance should be replaced or repaired.
4. Do not run wires under carpets or mats and keep them away from hot surfaces.
5. Use only appliances and electrical plugs bearing the SAFETY mark.

Housekeeping

1. Keep matches, lighters and candles out of children's reach.
2. Store flammable substances in a safe place.
3. Do not place window curtains or any combustible materials near praying altars, stoves or lighted materials.

Naked Flames

1. Do not leave naked flames such as lit scented candles and tea lights burning in a room unattended.
2. Lit candles should be placed in stable holders on a heat-resistant surface.
3. Lit candles should also be kept away from combustibles such as paper or cardboard decorations, curtains and furnishings.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS – COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PREMISES

1. Escape passageways should be free of obstruction and fire exit doors should be kept unlocked at all times for use during emergencies.
2. It is also important to observe other fire safety requirements, including the approved occupancy load for premises (to avoid overcrowding), so as to enhance fire safety standards in buildings.
3. If you are in any public premises, ensure that you look out for the nearest exit door or staircase. Such knowledge will greatly facilitate your evacuation during an emergency.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS – EATING ESTABLISHMENTS

1. Turn off cooking appliances when not in use or whenever you need to attend to other matters, even for a short while.
2. Do not place combustible materials near heat sources.
3. Do not make unauthorised connections of gas and electrical extensions and points.
4. Avoid wearing clothes with long loose sleeves when working near heat sources.
5. Clean cooker hoods and ventilators regularly.
6. Do not store LPG cylinders in poorly ventilated places.

7. Do not overload electrical outlets or use faulty appliances, frayed wires and insulators.
8. Do not obstruct or damage fire extinguishers and fire hose reels.
9. Use only appliances and electrical plugs bearing the SAFETY mark.
10. Equip each stall with a PSB-approved Dry Chemical Power fire extinguisher and ensure regular maintenance of the fire extinguishers and fire hose reels.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS - ONLINE

Visit the following websites for fire safety tips:

1. <http://www.nfec.org.sg/>
2. <http://www.scdf.gov.sg/>