



# Fire Prevention is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY!**

## 10 FIRE-PREVENTION TIPS



### SMOKE DETECTORS

- Install a smoke detector on each floor, including the basement.
- Choose a photoelectric cell model, which triggers fewer unnecessary alarms.
- Change the detector according to the replacement date that the manufacturer indicates on the case.



### EVACUATION PLAN IN CASE OF FIRE

- Locate two possible exits.
- Identify an assembly point located outside and inform all the occupants of the residence.
- Rehearse with all the occupants the steps to be followed during an evacuation in case of fire.



### HOW TO EVACUATE YOUR RESIDENCE

- Close the doors behind you to prevent flames and smoke from spreading to other rooms or into other dwellings.
- Dial 911 once you are outside your residence.



### SMOKERS' ITEMS

- Do not throw cigarette butts into flowerpots or on mulch.
- Place butts in a metal container.



### SOURCES OF HEAT

- Move curtains or furniture at least 10 cm from radiators, electric baseboard heating units or any other heat source.



### ELECTRICITY

- Have a master electrician carry out the electrical installation in your residence.
- Use electrical appliances approved in Canada and bearing the CSA and ULC marks.



### CARBON MONOXIDE

- Install a carbon monoxide detector if your garage adjoins your residence or if you use non-electric heating or cooking units.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions to install the carbon monoxide detector.



### PREVENT COOKING FIRES

- Constantly monitor food that is cooking and use a timer.
- Never heat oil in any type of cauldron to fry foods. Use a thermostat-controlled deep fryer.



### CHIMNEY SWEEPING

- Have an expert inspect and sweep your chimney once a year, before the heating season begins. The same applies to the outlet pipes of pellet fireplaces.



### HOT ASHES

- Let hot ashes cool off outside in a metal container with a metal lid.
- Wait at least seven days before transferring them to a trash bin.

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