

# WCM Housing Fire Safety Tips

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Follow these simple precautions to prevent fires in your living space and common areas.

## Cooking and Kitchen

- Never leave cooking unattended.
- Cook only when you're alert. If you are sleepy or drowsy, don't use the stove.
- Always turn on your vent hood when using the stove.
- Keep anything that can catch fire—oven mitts, food packaging, towels, etc.—away from your stovetop.



## If a fire starts...

- **On your stovetop:** Put a lid on the pan, turn off the heat. Never use water on a grease fire.
- **In your oven:** Keep the door closed and turn off the heat.
- **In your microwave:** Keep the door closed and unplug it.



## Candles

Candles start over 7,900 home fires in the US every year.

- Candles are prohibited in all WCM Housing.
- Use flameless candles— they come in all sizes, colors, and smells.



## Smoke Detectors, Alarms, and Sprinklers

Fire safety equipment saves lives!

- Never disable or remove batteries from smoke detectors, prop open fire doors, or discharge fire extinguishers.
- Tampering with fire safety equipment could result in termination of your housing contract, disciplinary actions, and loss of property in case of a fire.

