



SAFETY MEASURES AT HOME

In an emergency always ring triple zero (000) to get assistance from Police, Fire and Ambulance.



Fire Safety

- Fire blankets are to put out small fire. Eg. stove, candles. Do **NOT** put out big fire.
- Install an adequate number of suitable [smoke alarms](#) and test them regularly.
- Write an [escape plan](#) in case of fire and practice it regularly.
- Make sure keys to all doors/windows are readily accessible if needed to escape.
- Be aware that deadlocks/multiple locks/security grilles/bars on windows/roller shutters can impact on your escape from a fire. Remember every second counts!
- Never leave cooking or any other open flame including candles or oil burners unattended.
- Gas leak is a fire risk. Get out from the house, turn off main meter if possible or call 000.
- Do not cover heater with clothes etc. Do not leave it on all night.
- Never smoke in bed and take extra care if consuming alcohol whilst smoking.
- Do not overload power points



Home Safety

- Get to know your neighbours. Exchange phone numbers and keep an eye on each other's homes.
- Ensure doors and windows are secured, particularly in areas that are unoccupied.
- Remove keys from internal doors and windows when you are not at home.
- Don't leave a house key under the door mat, a pot plant or in other obvious places.
- Check identification of a hired trades person or home helper.
- Ask for identifications from all salespersons who request entry to your home. If you're doubtful, check with the person's office.
- Give your home the "lived in" look when you're out – install sensor lights, keep front yard clear
- Keep cash, keys and valuables out of sight and out of easy reach.



- Don't leave notes on the door as they suggest that no one is home.
- Ensure your house number is clearly visible so it can be located quickly in an emergency.
- Know which doors and windows to exit in an emergency so you can leave quickly.



Questions:

1. What do you do if there is a small fire on your stove?

2. List two things that can slow you down to escape in the case of home fire:

- a. _____
- b. _____

3. Name 3 things that you need to avoid doing to keep your home safe from fire:

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

4. What do you do if you feel unsure about the trade person you hired?

5. How do you give your home a "lived in" look?
