

Fire Alarms

Test your alarms **at least monthly**.

For more advice:

Visit **www.firescotland.gov.uk**, or
talk to your local firefighters.

To Book A Free Home Safety Visit

Phone: 0800 0731 999

Text 'FIRE' to 80800 or visit

Web: www.firescotland.gov.uk



Report Fire Safety Defects

- If you notice damaged or defective fire doors, or any other fire safety issue, report it immediately.
- Call the Housing Repair Centre 24/7 on **01382 434343** to report damaged or defective fire doors.



In an emergency always call **999**.

For any further information please visit the Dundee
City Council website for useful information.

www.dundee.gov.uk

Fire safety information for residents living in multi-storey blocks



This booklet contains important information about fire safety including:

- What to do if you have a fire or become aware of a fire.
- Fire safety advice in your flat
- Fire doors and why they are important
- What you can do to help keep your building safe.



The fire evacuation strategy for your building is 'Stay Put'.

'Stay Put' is the following approach:

- When a fire occurs within a flat, the occupants alert others in the flat, make their way out of the building and call Scottish Fire and Rescue Services (SFRS) via 999.
- If a fire starts in the common areas, anyone in these areas should make their way out of the building and call SFRS.
- All other people in the building not directly affected by the fire would be expected to 'stay put' and remain in their flat unless directed to leave by SFRS or the Police.
- Any person not directly affected by fire or smoke can leave the building if they wish, although doing so could place them at greater risk.

In the Kitchen

- **Never** leave cooking unattended – keep an eye out on your cooker when it is on.
- Deep fat fryers or oven chips are much safer than using open chip pans
- If you use a chip pan **do not** fill it up too much (no more than 1/3 full)
- **Do not** site cupboards or shelves, etc directly above a cooker.
- You can consider buying a fire blanket, which can be used to extinguish clothes that have caught fire during cooking, or place over a pan of burning food. If you do have a fire blanket, make sure you read the instructions **BEFORE** you have a fire, so that you know how to use it safely.
- **Never** throw water on burning cooking oil.



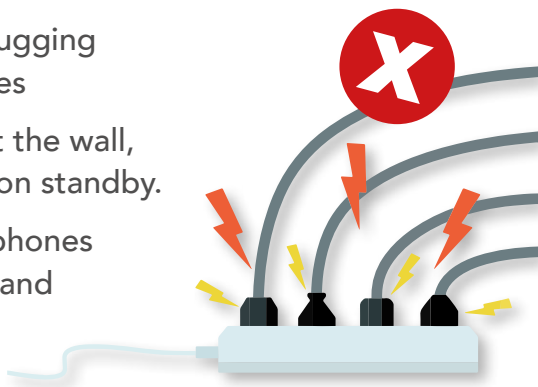
Smoking

- **Make sure** cigarettes are put out properly in a sturdy ashtray
- **Don't** smoke in a chair if you have been drinking alcohol or feel sleepy
- **Do not** smoke when sleepy or in bed
- Keep lighters and matches away from children



Electrics

- **Do not** overload sockets by plugging in too many electrical appliances
- Turn electrical appliances off at the wall, this is safer than leaving them on standby.
- **Do not** leave laptops, mobile phones or e-bikes charging overnight, and **NEVER** charge this equipment in a bedroom.
- **Don't** leave appliances on when sleeping or out of the house – this includes washing machines, dishwashers and tumble dryers.



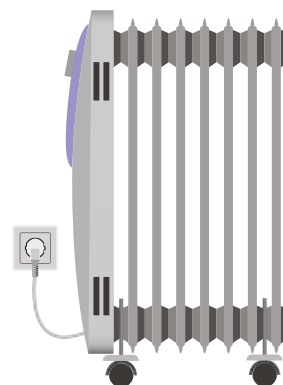
Tumble Dryer Safety

- **Always** remove fluff and lint from the filters before and after use.
- **Avoid** leaving tumble dryers running overnight. If you must, ensure the door to the room where the dryer is located is closed.



Portable Heaters

- Keep heaters away from curtains, furniture, and other flammable items.
- **Do not** leave heaters unattended when switched on.
- **Always** follow the manufacturer's safety instructions.



Escape Plan

Make sure your family has an escape plan and that everyone knows what to do in case of fire.



Close Doors at Night

Close all internal doors before going to bed. This helps slow the spread of fire and smoke.

Common Areas

- **Do not** leave any materials that could catch fire in communal areas.
- Keep hallways clear of obstructions at all times.
- **Never** charge e-bikes or scooters in hallways or communal spaces.

Fire door keep shut

Fire Doors

Fire doors in communal areas should always be marked as fire doors – this is normally a blue circle that says: 'Fire door keep shut'.

You Must Not...

- ❌ Change your front door under any circumstances.
- ❌ Remove or damage the self-closing device on your door.
- ❌ Remove or paint over any strips or seals around the door.
- ❌ Drill any holes in the door – for example to fit a spy hole, change the letterbox or fit a new doorbell.
- ❌ Wedge open doors which are fire doors.
- ❌ Damage the door, the door frame or the self-closing device.
- ❌ Never wedge open fire doors in communal areas or stairwells
- ❌ Do not tamper with or disable self-closing devices on any fire door



If You Have To Leave...

- ✓ Get out as quickly as you can, closing doors behind you to stop smoke and fire spread.
- ✓ Use the stairs to get down to the ground floor - **never** take the lift.
- ✓ Once you get out, call the Fire and Rescue Service (on 999) and stay out.

