

Gibraltar Fire & Rescue Service Fire Safety Department

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Misuse of cigarettes can cause serious Fires

These simple steps can help prevent a cigarette fire in the home:

- **Never smoke in bed.** Take care when you're tired - It's very easy to fall asleep while your cigarette is still burning and set furniture alight.
- **Put it out, right out!** Make sure your cigarette is fully extinguished **DO NOT** throw cigarette butts outside your window as it can cause a serious fire in your neighbour's home.
- **Fit a smoke alarm and test it weekly.** A working smoke alarm can buy you valuable time to get out, stay out and call 190.
- **Never leave lit cigarettes, cigars or pipes unattended** they can easily overbalance as they burn down.
- **Use a proper heavy ashtray that can't tip over easily and is made of a material that won't burn.**
- **Never smoke when under the influence of drugs or alcohol.** If your lit cigarette starts a fire you could be less able to escape.
- **Keep lighters, matches and smoking materials out of the reach of children.**

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10 tips to protect your Home from Fire

1. Fit smoke alarms and test them regularly. Do not remove batteries.
2. Devise a fire action plan.
3. Keep exits clear and accessible.
4. Take extra care in the kitchen. Do not leave cooking pots unattended.
5. Never leave candles in rooms where children are on their own.
6. Make sure cigarettes are stubbed out properly, never smoke in bed.
7. Close doors at night especially those to kitchen and lounge.
8. Do not overload electrical sockets.
9. Keep lighters and matches away from children.
10. Take special care when you are tired or have been drinking.



**GET OUT - STAY OUT
AND CALL 190**