



COOKING & KITCHEN FIRE SAFETY

Did you know that cooking is one of the most common causes of fires...

Especially if you are cooking with oil.

- ◆ For a microwave fire, keep the door closed and unplug the unit.
- ◆ **Never pour water on a grease fire.**
- ◆ Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling, or broiling food.
- ◆ Cook only when you are alert, not sleepy or drowsy.
- ◆ Keep your cooking area clean and uncluttered.
- ◆ Keep anything that can catch fire away from your stovetop.
- ◆ Keep a lid nearby when you're cooking to smother small grease fires.
- ◆ For an oven fire turn off the heat and keep the door closed.

NOTE: Per the UNCP Miscellaneous Fee Schedule, \$250 may be accessed for negligent or malicious activity that leads to the activation of a fire alarm in any campus building. You may also be referred to the Office of Student Conduct for violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Fire and life protection equipment is provided for the safety of everyone. Tampering with life safety equipment, such as smoke detectors, is a very serious violation. Fire protection equipment which is properly installed and maintained plays a vital role in reducing fire deaths and injuries.

DID YOU KNOW?

Fires in dormitories are more common during the evening hours, between 5-11pm, and on the weekends.

Roughly 5 out of 6 fires in dormitories are started by cooking.

Unattended cooking is by far the leading contributing factor in college cooking fires.

There are more than 3,000 university cooking fires each year.

Microwave popcorn fires are a common occurrence with college students.

Friends keep friends safe from fire – related hazards.

SHARE!

Pass fire safety tips along to friends.

