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JACKSON BUREAU OF FIRE SAFETY

FIRE DISTRICT No. 1 & 3



FIRE SAFETY INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

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COOKING FIRE SAFETY



Unattended cooking continues to be the number one cause of fire locally and throughout the country. Every year people in the U.S. are injured or die as a result of fires in the home and cooking related fires cause the most by far. It is important when cooking not to be distracted by other activities like talking on the phone, being on the computer or cooking when you are tired or medicated.

- ◆ Be **ALERT!** - If you are drowsy, medicated or have consumed alcohol **DON'T** cook!
- ◆ When cooking, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking, and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking. If you leave the kitchen for even a short period of time, turn off the stove.
- ◆ Keep oven mitts, utensils, packaging or towels away from the stovetop.
- ◆ **If you have a cooking fire -GET OUT!** When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire. **Call 9-1-1** or after you leave the home.
- ◆ Keep a lid nearby when you're cooking to smother small grease fires. Smother the fire by sliding the lid over the pan and turn off the stove-top. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- ◆ For an oven fire turn off the heat, keep the door closed and **GET OUT. Call 9-1-1** after you leave the home.
- ◆ Treat a burn right away by putting it in cool water for 3 to 5 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
- ◆ **Keep children away** from appliances when cooking.
- ◆ Check for frayed or damaged cords to appliances.
- ◆ Electrical appliances near water could cause electrocution.
- ◆ Never put metallic materials into a microwave oven. If you have a fire, unplug it and do not open the door
- ◆ Be careful, steam escapes from food cooked in a microwave and can cause severe burns.
- ◆ Always call the fire department for any fire, even if the fire has been extinguished.
- ◆ And as always have a fire evacuation plan and practice it with your family!



It is also important to make sure you have a working smoke detector in your home. The Jackson Bureau of Fire Safety Fire Districts 1 & 3 offers free battery operated smoke detectors to local families who need one. If your home does not have one or your current smoke detector is older than 10 years old please contact Fire Official Frank Mc Donnell at (732) 928-1666x14 or e-mail fmcdonnell@jacksonfiredist3.org.

REMEMBER:

Once Your Out STAY Out