

# Cook Safely!

# Prevent Kitchen Fires



## Did you know?

**Cooking is the main cause of home fires and fire injuries. You can prevent cooking fires. Take these steps to keep your family safe!**

✔ **Stand by your pan:**

If you leave the kitchen, turn the burner off.

✔ **Watch what you are cooking:**

Fires start when the heat is too high. If you see any smoke or the grease starts to boil, turn the burner off.

✔ **Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove:**

Then no one can bump them or pull them over.

✔ **Keep a pan lid or baking sheet nearby:**

Use it to cover the pan if it catches on fire. This will put out the fire.

For more information and resources, visit

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