

FIRE SAFETY FOR STUDENTS

Fire safety might not be at the top of your agenda while you're here at university. Fires are seven times more likely to occur in rented or shared accommodation, so please take time to read the following safety advice to help protect yourself and your belongings from fire.

PLAY YOUR PART

- Report any potential fire risks to the Reception.
- Pay attention to fire drills and never ignore a fire alarm.
- Don't tamper with firefighting equipment. It's a criminal offence and would lead to disciplinary action.

COOKING

- Never leave cooking unattended.
- Deep fat fryers and chip pans are not allowed in student residences.
- Don't cook after consuming alcohol.
- Don't cover microwaves.
- Clean your oven, hob and grill regularly to stop fat or grease causing a fire.
- Switch off cooking appliances when you leave the room.



SMOKING

- Smoking and vaping is not allowed in student residences and is a breach of contract.
- You should only smoke outside, 5 metres away from buildings.
- When finished, make sure your cigarette is completely out.



CANDLES

Candles and incense are not allowed in student residences.

Why not use LED battery-operated candles instead?



REMEMBER, IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE, GET OUT, STAY OUT AND CALL 999.

ESCAPE ROUTES

- Make sure you and your flatmates know the quickest way out in the event of a fire.
- Keep exits clear from clutter.
- Always know where your fob/key is.
- **Don't prop or wedge a fire door open. Keeping fire doors closed could save your life.**



ELECTRICAL SAFETY

- Using an extension lead? Make sure all of the items plugged in don't exceed the maximum current rating. Don't overload sockets.
- Don't place laptops on soft, uneven surfaces which can prevent the airflow and cause them to overheat.
- Don't leave electrical items like laptops, mobile phones or e-cigs charging overnight or unattended.
- Always turn electrical devices off when not in use.
- Check your electrical appliances are in good working order. If the wires are damaged or frayed, do not use them.

