

# Cannabis Fire Safety

RESPONSIBILITY GROWS **HERE.**



## IMPAIRMENT INCLUDES CANNABIS



Cooking while under the influence of alcohol, prescription drugs or cannabis can result in a fire.

**Don't put yourself or your family at risk.**  
Always remain alert when cooking.

Keep a close eye on anyone attempting to cook or smoke while impaired.

## SMOKING IS SMOKING



Smoking is the **leading cause of residential fire deaths** in Ontario.

Encourage smokers to smoke outside. **Never smoke or toké in bed.**

Whether it is tobacco or cannabis, cigarettes and joints need to be properly extinguished in **large, deep ashtrays.**

## HAZARDOUS EXTRACTION OF CANNABIS OIL CAN CAUSE EXPLOSIONS AND FIRES



**Extracting cannabis oil with flammable solvents is extremely hazardous.** It can result in the uncontrolled release of flammable vapours. If ignited, these vapours lead to explosions and fires that can cause serious injury or death.

Hazardous extraction in basements is particularly dangerous because flammable vapours can accumulate in higher concentrations leading to even more powerful explosions.

**Hazardous extraction using flammable materials such as butane is against the law in homes and in basements.**

## Don't put yourself or your family at risk of fire.

## TOO MANY WIRES CAN CAUSE FIRES



Extension cords should be used only as a **temporary connection.** If permanent wiring is required, have additional outlets installed by a licensed electrician. **Extension cords should not be linked together.** Instead, use an extension cord that is long enough to do the job.

**Avoid running cords under rugs,** which can damage the cord and cause a fire.

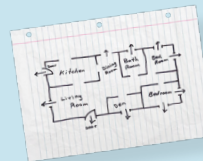
**Avoid overloading a circuit with "octopus outlets".** If additional outlets or circuits are required, have them installed by a licensed electrician.

Ensure that all electrical appliances such as grow lamps are **certified by an accredited testing agency** like ULC or CSA. And make sure they are operated according to manufacturer's instructions.

**SMOKE ALARMS SAVE LIVES!**



Only working smoke alarms give you the early warning you need to safely escape a fire. Install **smoke and carbon monoxide alarms** in your home. **Test them every month.**



Practice a **home fire escape plan** so everyone in your home knows what to do when the smoke and carbon monoxide alarms sound in an emergency.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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