

CHECK YOUR HOTSPOTS

- Smoke alarms**
- Test and clean regularly.
 - At least one on each level.
 - One in every bedroom where someone sleeps with the door closed.

- Heaters**
- Install, maintain and operate according to manufacturer's instructions.
 - Keep 1 metre clear space around.
 - Turn off before going to bed or going out.

- Chimneys and flues**
- Clean yearly.

- Candles**
- Keep away from curtains.
 - Always use on non-combustible surfaces.

- Bedroom**
- Never smoke in bed.

- Kitchen**
- Never leave cooking unattended.
 - Keep combustibles such as tea towels and curtains away from cooking and heat sources.
 - Keep pot handles turned in.

- Electric blankets**
- Turn on no more than 30 minutes before bed. Turn off before you get into bed.
 - Remove heavy items from bed when on.
 - Keep flat with controls at the side of the bed.
 - Regularly check for broken and worn wiring.

- Laundry**
- Clean the lint filter on your clothes dryer after each load.
 - Let the dryer complete its cooldown cycle before stopping.

- Open fire place**
- Always use a fire screen in front of an open fire.
 - Put out fires before going to bed or going out.
 - Keep 1 metre clear space around.

- Front door**
- Never deadlock doors when you're at home and keep keys in deadlock when home.
 - Develop and practise your home fire escape plan – have two ways to escape each room and a designated safe meeting point outside your home, e.g. letterbox.

Remember...

- Supervise children near heating equipment.
- Turn off electrical appliances at the power point when not in use.
- Keep electrical appliances and equipment in good working order.
- Replace damaged equipment e.g. power cords.
- Don't overload power boards.
- Have and know how to use your fire blanket and extinguisher.

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