

Smoking Materials Safety Tips

- Completely douse butts and ashes with water before throwing them away, as they can smolder and cause a fire.
- Never smoke in bed.
- Provide large, deep ashtrays with a center support for smokers. Check furniture for any dropped ashes before going to bed. Empty ashes into a fireproof container with water and sand.
- Keep smoking materials away from anything that can burn (i.e., mattresses, bedding, upholstered furniture, draperies, etc.).
- Never smoke in a home where oxygen is being used.
- If you smoke, choose fire-safe cigarettes. They are less likely to cause fires.
- To prevent a deadly cigarette fire, stay alert. Do not smoke if you are sleepy, have been drinking, or have taken medicine or other drugs.
- Keep matches and lighters up high and away from children's sight and reach.



To learn more about the dangers associated with smoking related fires and to learn about fire-safe cigarettes, visit nfpa.org