



# ENERGIST

## FIRE SAFETY TIPS

*By virtue of Proclamation Nos. 360, s. 1989 and 115-A s. 1966, March has been declared as Fire Prevention Month as this is one of the hottest months of the year when, historically, occurrence of fire incidents is high.*

*To keep our family safe at home, here are some fire safety tips:*

- ◆ Check all appliance and lighting for frayed or damaged cords. Unplug and replace them immediately.
- ◆ Never leave your cooking unattended.
- ◆ Avoid octopus wiring connections.
- ◆ Don't overload outlets with high-wattage devices.
- ◆ Be sure to unplug all electrical appliances before leaving your homes for summer outings or long vacation.

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- ◆ If you encounter regular problems with an outlet or wiring such as sparking, frequent blown fuse, and/or constant flickering of lights, contact a licensed electrician to immediately address these.
- ◆ Keep matches and lighters out of reach of children.
- ◆ Keep burning candles at least a foot away from combustible materials.
- ◆ Never leave a burning candle unattended, even for a minute.
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- ◆ Use extension cords only as temporary devices. If you intend to use them full time, install a new outlet.
- ◆ If possible, install smoke detectors/alarms in risk areas such as kitchen and garage.
- ◆ Have escape ladders and fire extinguishers on hand for emergencies.



- ◆ Don't place electrical wires or extension cords under rugs, carpets, furniture, etc. Cords may get warm and if they fray or get damaged, these may pose fire hazards.
- ◆ Don't store flammables such as gasoline, cleaning agents, paints, adhesives, etc. near a heating source. At high temperatures, vapors can ignite. Store them in a cool, ventilated area.
- ◆ Do not smoke while grilling.
- ◆ Don't overload your drier as this may result to an excess of lint, which is a Firestarter.
- ◆ Keep all valuables and important documents in a fireproof safe.
- ◆ Talk to family members about fire hazards and prepare an escape plan.