

For most, the kitchen is the heart of the home- especially during the holidays. Keeping fire safety top of mind in the kitchen during this joyous but hectic time is important- especially when there is a lot of activity and people in the home. Follow these few simple safety tips so you can enjoy time with your loved ones this Thanksgiving season!



### **Cook With Caution**



- Stay in the kitchen **at all times** when cooking on the stove top.
- Stay in the home when cooking your turkey in the oven and check on it frequently.
- Make sure kids stay at least 3 feet away from hot food and liquids. Steam or splash from vegetables , gravy, or coffee can cause serious burns.
- Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, or bags.
- Keep knives out of the reach of children and not placed on the countertop.
- Be sure to keep electrical cords from electric knives, coffee pots, plate warmers, and mixers tied up and not dangling from counters.
- Keep anything that can catch fire, such as oven mitts, food packaging, and towels away from your stove top.
- Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the "Test" button.
- Use timers to remind you that you are cooking!

**HAPPY  THANKSGIVING**

### **If You Have a Small Grease Fire**

- On the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner.
- Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- For an oven fire, turn off the heat and keep the door **CLOSED!**
- If you have any doubt about fighting the fire: **GET OUT and CALL 911**

