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GREAT**

ESCAPE

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If you are about to move into a rented property for the first time here's some information on protecting yourself and your belongings from fire. Avoiding a fire in your home could be your Greatest Escape...

Did you know... you are **more than twice as likely** to die in a fire if you do not have a working smoke alarm?

- Don't leave cooking unattended
- Take extra care when smoking inside
- Never leave candles unattended – keep them away from flammable surfaces or textiles such as curtains, TV sets or baths
- Don't overload plug sockets
- Fit a smoke alarm on each level of the property – and test weekly
- Know your escape route – make sure you and your housemates know the quickest route out of the property in the event of a fire, and consider an alternative in case your usual one is blocked
- If a fire starts, Get out, Stay out and Call 999

For more information about fire safety, or to book a Home Fire Risk Check, visit www.direct.gov.uk/firekills