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Fire Safety:

What You Need To Know

We're working to make sure that fire safety is the best it can possibly be in your home. You can help us keep you and your neighbours safe by following the rules and advice below:



Keep your balcony clear of anything flammable (e.g. paper or cardboard).



keep your corridor or landings clear.

Some materials can burn during a fire, blocking exit routes and firefighters.



Keep fire doors closed. Closed fire doors help to stop flames and smoke from spreading.



Test your smoke detector regularly. It's good to check it every week.



Please use the rubbish chutes for household waste only and don't put anything lit down them. Other items may block the chutes. Contact us to remove other items (e.g. carpets, flooring, furniture). Visit manchester.gov.uk/bulkywaste



Keep emergency access clear in the car park.

Never park in the emergency parking bays and keep entrances clear.



Barbecues are not allowed. Barbecues must not be used anywhere in the block, including balconies.



Don't smoke in communal areas. It's against the law to smoke in enclosed public places.



Never use the lifts in the event of a fire. Please use the stairs and, once you are safely outside, call 999.

Have you got a sprinkler?

- Do remember not to paint the sprinkler head or its cover plate.
- Do make sure you sprinkler heads and cover plates are free from added sealant.
- Do make sure any paint used on sprinkler pipework is water based only.
- Do make sure your sprinkler heads are clear of objects.

Doing these things will make sure the sprinkler can activate if needed.

- Do be careful when using appliances that give off heat or flames. Open flames are best not used at all, but where necessary, make sure there is plenty of ventilation and heat is kept clear of sprinkler heads at all times. Common appliances which give off heat are wallpaper or paint strippers, hair dryers ect.
- Do leave the sprinkler head in place. Trying to remove the sprinkler head will result in the sprinkler activating!
- Do keep all sprinkler pipework clear. Don't hang anything from it as it could cause a burst pipe.

Remember to inform your home contents insurance provider of your new sprinkler.



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