



## Did you know?

The leading cause of structure fires in Minnesota last year was cooking.

Cooking fires caused an average of \$4.5 million in damage each of the last five years in Minnesota.

The top two factors last year in cooking fires were unattended equipment and combustibles too close to a heat source.

## PREVENT COOKING FIRES

- Stay in the kitchen when cooking.
- If you leave the room, turn off the stove and move the pan from the burner.
- Keep things that can burn — oven mitts, towels, and wooden spoons — three feet from the stove.
- If a fire starts, slide a tight-fitting lid on the pan and turn off the heat.
- Avoid loose-fitting clothing that can easily catch fire.



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