

High-Rise Safety

Be Prepared If you live or work in a high-rise:

- familiarize yourself with the fire safety features of the building, especially the locations of the exits.
- practice your primary and alternative escape routes.
- do not block exits.
- close doors when you leave a room.
- report damaged fire protection features.
- do not tamper with safety devices.





Evacuate If a fire occurs:

- stay calm, follow your exit plan, and call 9-1-1.
- do not use the elevator in the event of a fire.
- shout "fire" and pull the fire alarm as you exit.
- close doors leading to stairs or hallways as you leave.
- exit the lobby space as well.

Get Rescued If you cannot evacuate:

- try to get to a room with an outside window.
- call 9-1-1. Notify them of your location in the building.
- stay where rescuers can see you. Wave a light-colored cloth so they can see you
- stuff wet sheets, towels, clothing, etc., around cracks in doors to prevent smoke from entering room.





When visiting a high-rise that you are not familiar with, make sure to note location of fire exits.