

Pet Fire Safety



National Pet Fire Safety Day is July 15.



KEEP pets away from stoves and countertops.

Stoves are the most common appliance for pets starting house fires. They may bump into, turn on, or knock over cooking equipment.



KEEP pets away from candles, lamps, and space heaters.

Consider investing in battery-operated, flameless candles.



KEEP an eye on "chewers."

Some pets may chew through electrical cords. If this occurs, throw the chewed item away. Never try to use a cord that a pet has chewed.



USE crates and gates to secure pets.

Confine young pets while you are away from home. This will keep curious pets away from potential fire-starting hazards.



KEEP pets at least three feet away from a heat source.

Remember, the "3 Feet Rule." Keep pets at least three feet away from any heat source. Always use a metal or heat-tempered glass screen on fireplaces, and be sure it stays in place.



NEVER go back inside for a pet during a fire.

Do not delay escape or endanger yourself or family to rescue a family pet. Inform firefighters if your pet is trapped inside.



HELP firefighters find your pets.

Attach a decal on your home's front window with the number and type of pets for rescue workers. Keep collars on pets and make sure your contact information is up-to-date.

