Smoking Fire Safety Tips

• If you smoke, put it out, all the way, every time.

• Smoke only where it is permitted.

• Use deep, sturdy ashtrays.

• Soak smoking materials in water before throwing them away.

• After a party, check under cushions for smoking materials — furniture burns fast.

• If you are sleepy, don’t smoke — smoking in bed is dangerous.

• If you’ve been drinking or are impaired — don’t smoke.

Did You Know?

Fires caused by careless smoking result in more collegiate fatalities than any other ignition source.

Most smoking-related fires begin when someone abandons or improperly disposes of smoking materials.

Nearly three-fourths of people who die in smoking related fires were killed by fires that started in either upholstered furniture or a mattress.

Most fires caused by smoking materials start inside — it’s better and safer to smoke outside.

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