

Heating Safety

Both at home and in the workplace, heaters are often used in cold weather. Though helpful, space heaters cause over 30% of house fires and need to be used safely.

When using a heater, safety should be taken seriously.

If you have or work around central heating, make sure it's installed and regularly inspected by a qualified professional.



Make sure vents are not blocked by furniture, clothing, boxes or any other items.

Don't use a heater in a workshop or garage that has flammable paint, gas cans, or matches.



When unplugging a heater, pull the plug straight from the outlet.

Don't use a heater with a frayed or damaged cord.



Don't plug another electrical device or an extension cord into the same outlet as a heater, it can cause overheating.

Install working smoke alarms on every level of your home, and in every bedroom, and test them monthly.

