

# Cooking Fire Safety



Unattended cooking is the leading cause of home fires in Seattle.



## If there is a fire in a pan:

- Cover it with a lid—use an oven mitt to protect your hand.
- Turn off the stove and leave the pan covered until it is completely cool.
- If the fire is large or has spread to other items, get outside quickly and call 911 from a safe place.



**Never leave the kitchen** when frying, broiling or grilling food. If you must leave the stove, **turn it off** or **set a timer to remind you** to check the food.

Keep all **things that can catch fire away from the stovetop**—loose clothing, oven mitts, towels, papers, food packaging, wood or plastic cooking utensils and even curtains.

## Keep your cooking area clear.

If there is a fire in a pan...

**Put a lid on it!**

**If the fire has spread, get out and call 9 1 1.**