## Butt Out Smoking Fires



Smoking is
the #1 cause
of fatal home
fires in Ontario.
Alcohol is
a factor in
many smoking
related fires.

Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms on every storey of your home.

Test them every month.

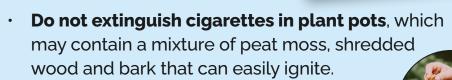


## How do I prevent a smoking fire?

 To prevent smoking fires, you must be alert. You will not be alert if you are sleepy, have consumed alcohol, drugs or medicine that makes you drowsy.



- Never smoke in bed.
- If people have been smoking in your home, check behind chair and sofa cushions for cigarette butts before going to bed.
- Use large deep ashtrays that cannot be knocked over.
- Empty ashes into a metal container—not the garbage can—and put it outside.



Encourage smokers to smoke outside.

For more information contact your **local fire department**.

