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PREVENT COOKING FIRES

* **Stay in the kitchen when cooking.**

* **If you leave the room, turn off the stove and move the pan from the burner.**
* **Keep things that can burn — oven mitts, towels, and wooden spoons — three feet from the stove.**
* **If a fire starts, slide a tight-fitting lid on the pan and turn off the heat.**
* **Avoid loose-fitting clothing that can easily catch fire.**

Did you know?

Last year in Minnesota the leading cause of structure fires was cooking.

Cooking fires caused nearly $6 million in damage last year in Minnesota.

The top two factors last year in cooking fires were unattended equipment and combustibles too close to a heat source.