

Multi-home living is when individual homes form part of a complex such as an Apartment, Town House, or Retirement Village.

Fire spreads quickly. Your home could be impacted by a fire starting in a neighbouring home. It's important to know the fire risks in your home and be ready to evacuate if there is an emergency.

Queensland law requires that interconnected, photoelectric smoke alarms are installed in all bedrooms and hallways in rental homes. Owner occupied homes need to upgrade before 1 January 2027.



If there is a fire in your home, complex or building, you need to evacuate, phone Triple Zero (000), and meet firefighters at your Assembly Area with access keys.

## WHAT TO DO IF THERE'S A FIRE



**Get out immediately.** Escape to your evacuation assembly area.



**Close your front door as you leave your home** to help stop the spread of fire.



**Stay calm** and get everyone out as fast as possible. Don't waste time trying to save valuables.



**Don't use the lifts.** Use emergency exits or fire stairs that lead to a safe place away from the building.



**Get out, stay out, and phone Triple Zero (000)**. Never go back into a burning building.

## **SAFETY TIPS**



All occupants should be familiar with the building's written Fire and Evacuation Plan. It details evacuation procedures and the designated assembly area.



Make and practise an escape plan for your home. Make sure you attend any building or complex evacuation exercises.



Know how to get to your **fire exits** and **fire stairs**.



**Never prop open fire doors** or leave anything in fire stairs. Make sure your escape paths are clear.



**Do not overcrowd.** Too many people living in one home increases the risk of fire.



Never leave batteries and devices on charge when you go out or are sleeping.



Never charge a battery or device (e.g. electric bikes and scooters) in an escape path, hall, or doorway.



**Don't stop looking while you're cooking.** Most fires at home start in the kitchen.

Visit fire.qld.gov.au or contact your local fire station for more information.

