

High-Rise Residential Fire Safety

What to do **before** a fire:

- ⇒ Know & practice your emergency plan
- ⇒ Know where the stairs & areas of refuge are located

What to do if a fire **occurs**:

- ◆ Call **911** do not assume that someone else has already called the fire department
- ◆ Do not attempt to fight the fire yourself
- ◆ If your apartment is on fire LEAVE & close door behind you. Use stairs—DO NOT use elevators
- ◆ If the fire is not in your apartment, your safest option may be to shelter in place.
 - ◆ Keep the apartment door closed
 - ◆ Put wet towel at bottom of door
 - ◆ Open window, if possible, and if SMOKE IS NOT entering through the window



- ◆ Remain in apartment
- ◆ Call **911** if your situation changes

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According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), from 2005 to 2009

63% of high-rise residential building

fires were started from

cooking

DO NOT panic in the event of a high-rise fire

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