

## Top tips for a safer home:

Don't let your child play with fire - keep candles, lighters and matches well out of children's reach, and never leave burning candles unattended.

Keep safe in the kitchen - Make sure children know that the kitchen is not a play area - never leave younger children alone in the kitchen when you're cooking and never let them play near the oven and electric hotplate or gas cooker.

Socket safety - put plug guards into sockets so that children can't stick things into the holes.

Put child locks on cupboards that safely keep anything in them that children could use to start a fire.

Unplug appliances that children could fall over.

Encourage your children to check that keys are in the correct place. Keys for windows and doors should always be kept in an accessible place so that it is easily available to get out quickly in the event of a fire.

Discuss how to call the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service on 115 – Make sure children know which number to call in an emergency. They should also know their address. You can pin both up by the phone; explain the importance of only calling 115 in a real emergency.

In the event of a fire teach children to 'Get out, Stay out and how to call Call 115!' – explain them not to delay for valuables, or try to tackle the fire. Use a mobile or a neighbour's phone to call the Mauritius Fire and Rescue Service 115. Also explain them not to go back in the house which is on fire.

Keep all the corridors and doors clear of toys and other obstructions.

Don't leave children alone in the home.

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