

Grilling Safety Tips

Each year an average of 8,800 home fires are caused by grilling, and close to half of all injuries involving grills are due to thermal burns. While nearly half of the people who grill do it year-round, July is the peak month for grill fires followed by May, June and August.



Be ready to extinguish flames.

Keep a fire extinguisher handy just in case you need to put out a small fire.



Keep grill away from siding and deck railings.

Farther is better. And never use a grill indoors.



Keep your grill clean.

Remove grease and fat build up after every use.



Never leave your grill unattended.

Stay close and keep your eye on your grill.



Never move a hot grill.

And place coals from charcoal grill in a metal can with a lid—only after they have cooled.



Put safety rules in place for kids.

Keep children and pets at least 3 feet away from the grill area.

*According to the National Fire Protection Association (2013). For more information and resources about fire safety visit nfpa.org.