

LEARN NOT TO BURN

You Need Know-How To Fight Kitchen Fire

Every year in Canada thousands and thousands of dollars are lost and a number of persons including children overcome by fire and smoke all because somebody left a pot full of grease on a stove which was still turned on.

In Halton Hills this year, a number of fires resulted from this cause. Says the fire department: "That deep fryer which makes preparing fast meals so easy is also a potential fire bomb."

The process is not too difficult to understand. A metal pot, full of grease or fat, overheats and sends flames that hit the ceiling in seconds and causes smoke damage to almost all the rest of the house within minutes.

Imagine yourself asleep at night when this happens. Imagine no fire detector in the house. Imagine the amount of damage done already before firefighters can respond and put out the blaze.

Kitchen cupboards, normally wooden, drapes and curtains are all flammable material.

If grease does ignite in this way and you are awake, what can you then do besides summoning the fire department?

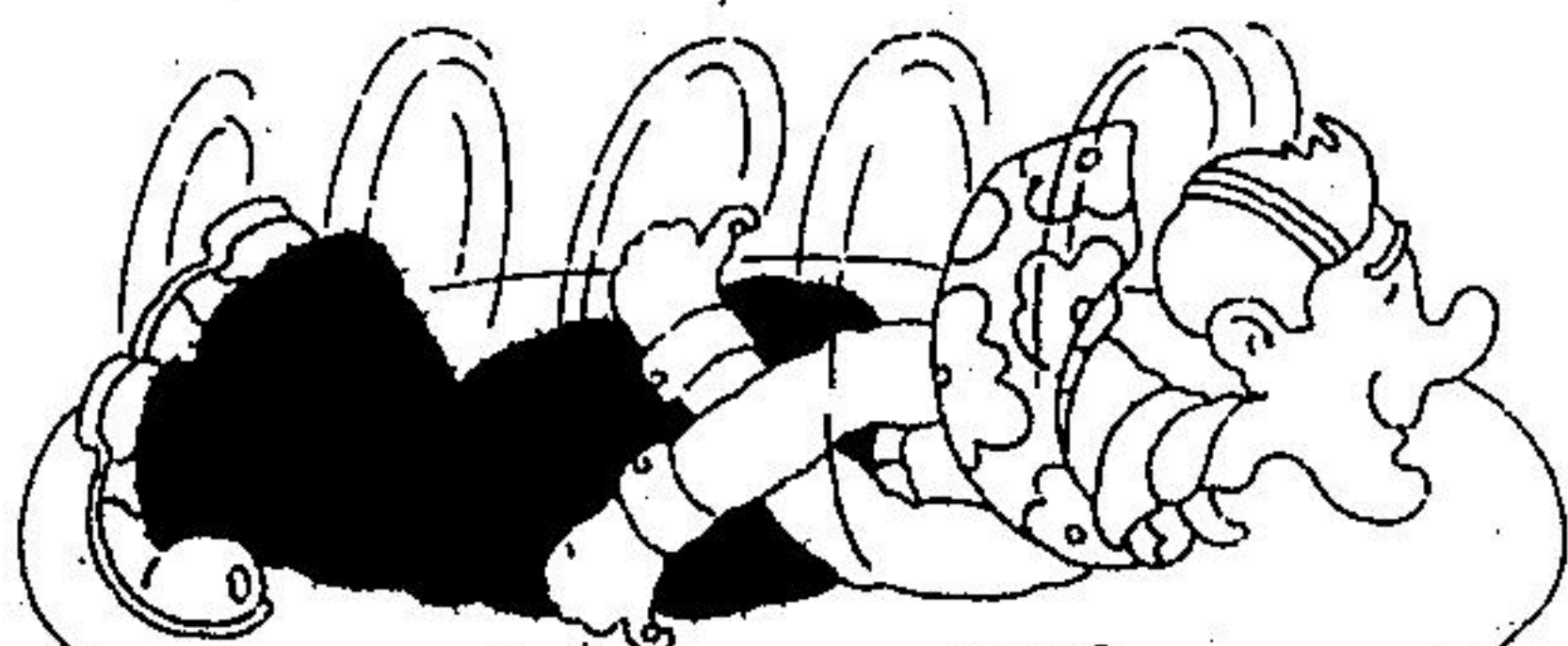
SMOTHER THE FLAMES BY MEANS OF A SUITABLE LID. As a precautionary measure, this lid should be kept beside the stove at all times.

While doing this, take care that your

clothes do not catch fire or that you do not get burned.

But, should the fire ignite nearby combustible materials, or threaten to spread, get everyone out of the building. Close the kitchen and entrance doors and call the fire department.

Never risk carrying out a burning pan in an effort to dump it outside. Never use water on a grease fire. Water will only splash the grease and spread the fire.



IF YOUR CLOTHES EVER CATCH FIRE, DROP DOWN AND ROLL. THE ROLLING WILL SQUASH OUT THE FIRE AND HELP SAVE YOUR SKIN.



DON'T RUN ELECTRIC WIRES UNDER THE RUG. PEOPLE WALKING ON THEM WILL SOON BREAK THEM OPEN AND THE HOT ELECTRICITY INSIDE WILL CAUSE A FIRE. KEEP WIRES WHERE YOU CAN SEE THEM.



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