# Grilling Safety

# **Grilling Safety Tips**

- Use propane and charcoal BBQ grills outdoors only
- Keep grill away from the house, deck railings & out from under eaves and overhanging branches & trees
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup on the grill and tray below the grill
- ❖ If clothing catches fire, remember to Stop, Drop, and roll!
- Never leave your grill unattended

### Do You Know

- ♣ July is the highest month for grill related fires
- ♣ Over 50% grill fires happen on a terrace, patio, or balcony
- ♣ 50% of injuries
  from grills are burns

### **Charcoal Grills**

- **\*** LOCATION:
  - Keep grill at least 8-feet away from walls, structures, buildings & trees
  - Do not use on wooden decks, wooden furniture, or combustible surfaces.
- If you use starter fluid, only use fluid for charcoal only. Never add charcoal fluid or other flammable liquid to a lit fire.
- Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and aware form heat sources.
- Since charcoal produces Carbon Monoxide fumes until the charcoal is completely extinguished, do not store the grill indoors with freshly used coals.
- When done grilling, let coals cool completely before discarding them in a metal container.

## **Propane & Gas Grills**

- Check gas tank hose for leaks before using for the first time each year
- Apply light soap & water solution to the hose. Bubbles will appear if leaking.
  - If there is a leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test (when there is no flame), turn off the gas tank.
  - If the leak stops, get the grill services by a professional before using it again.
  - If the leak does not stop, call the fire department.
- If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill & call fire department. Do not move grill.





