

# ARE YOU **FIRE SAFE** THIS WINTER?



Remember the 'heater metre' rule: keep flammable materials at least one metre away from any heat sources.



Check your electric blanket is in good working order before you use it and always turn it off before you go to sleep.



Keep an eye on your elderly relatives, friends and neighbours too. Are they as safe from fire as they could be?



Always empty ashes and ashtrays into a metal bin and pour water over them before disposal. Remember that ashes can take up to 5 days to cool.



Fire moves incredibly fast – a house fire can kill within three minutes. Keep your smoke alarms in working order by pressing the button to check.



Make a household escape plan so you can get out safely during a fire. [www.escapemyhouse.co.nz](http://www.escapemyhouse.co.nz)



## **WE'RE HERE TO HELP.**

**At no cost to you, we are happy to visit your home and:**

1. Check existing smoke alarms to ensure they work and are in the right places.
2. Install smoke alarms, if you need them.
3. Help you make an escape plan.
4. Call **0800 693 473** or your local fire station to schedule a visit.