

Hampton

Fire / Rescue

5 Fire Escape Strategies Everyone Should Know

1. **Test Doors** with the back of your hand before opening them. If a door is hot, get out another way.
2. **Close All Doors** between you and the fire. Stuff the cracks around doors to keep out the smoke. Call 9-1-1 and signal at a window by waving a light, flashlight or colored cloth.
3. **Crawl Low Under Smoke.** The air is cooler and fresher near the floor.
4. **Get Out!** Phone the fire department *after* you are out.
5. **Stay Out!** Even if someone else is trapped inside, it's best to let trained and equipped firefighters make the rescue.