

## Instructions for films on the subject There's a fire in your home – what do you do?

Ever year, there are fires in about 6 000 homes in Sweden. About 1 000 people are hurt and about 120 people die in fires. This causes both human suffering and great costs to the community. It is important to know what to do if there is a fire in your home. Films are one way to teach people what to do if a fire breaks out at home.

In the film *There is a fire in your apartment – what do you do?* we follow two families who live in apartments with a shared stairway somewhere in Sweden. It is late afternoon. The people who live in the building are making dinner. In one of the apartments, the father leaves a pan on the cooker. The oil in the pan ignites and starts a fire in the kitchen.

The film *There is a fire in your house – what do you do?* is set in a two-storey house. The daughter in the family is drying her hair but forgets to turn off the hairdryer. This creates a hot spot which sets fire to an armchair. The rest of the family are upstairs when the fire starts to spread.

Both films ask the question: What would you do if this happened to you? The purpose of the films is for you to understand what you should do if there is a fire in an apartment or in a house.

## Show the film to a group

The target groups for the films are young people and adults who need to learn what to do if a fire breaks out at home. These instructions provide suggestions on how to work with the films. The instructions can be used for both of the films. Exercises and background information are available as separate documents.

This symbol means that the information and exercises are concerned with a fire in a house or row house.

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## Aims: This is what the film teaches you

After watching the film and doing the exercises, members of the group should know:

- How to put out a fire in a burning saucepan or frying pan.
- What to do if there is a fire in their own apartment.
- What to do if there is a fire in their neighbour's apartment.
- What to do if there is smoke in the stairway.
- How to put out a fire with a hand-held fire extinguisher.
- What to do if there is a fire in their own house or row house.

## Do the following:

- 1. Find out which of the films is suitable for the group. Do they live in apartments or houses? Is one of the films enough or should you show both? If you show the apartment film, make it clear that the people in the film share the same stairway.
- 2. Watch the film yourself a couple of times. Decide whether you want to show the whole film from beginning to end or whether you want to stop it after the various events.
- 3. If you need more background information about fire in the home, read the document *Questions and answers on fire in the home*.
- 4. Tell the group you are going to show a film about what to do if a fire breaks out at home.
- 5. Ask whether anybody in the group has personal experience of a fire at home. Let that person tell the group about the experience.
- 6. Show the film.
- 7. Choose one or two exercises to find out what the group has learned. The exercises are on a separate document.