



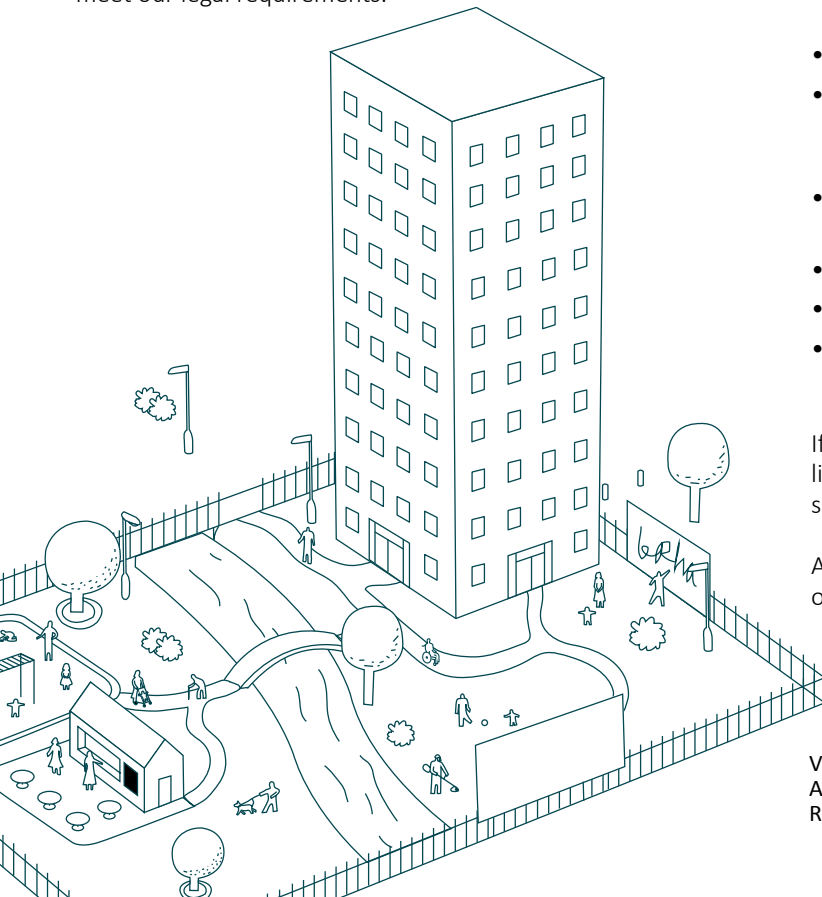
Fire Safety



HOW DOES bpha MANAGE FIRE SAFETY?

As your landlord, we have legal obligations regarding fire safety. This includes ensuring that all rented properties have smoke alarms in them. If you do not have a smoke alarm, please contact **bpha's** Customer Service Team on **0330 100 0272** to order one.

To fulfil our responsibility to protect you against fire we employ Fire Officers who investigate potential fire hazards. They also work closely with the local council and Fire and Rescue Service to ensure appropriate fire systems and procedures are in place to meet our legal requirements.



WHAT CAN I DO TO KEEP MYSELF AND MY FAMILY SAFE?

You also have a responsibility to ensure you are fire safety aware and that you take steps to minimise the risk of fire in your home.

You should:

- Not overload electrical sockets with too many plugs.
- Not use heaters for drying clothes.
- Not overload extension leads with too many appliances. An extension lead or adaptor will have a limit to how many amps it can take.
- Make sure cigarettes are put out properly.
- Be careful with candles and tea lights – do not place them near flammable materials such as curtains, or on top of televisions.
- Allow us access to your home to service your boiler if you have gas central heating, and to complete electrical safety checks.
- Take care when cooking with hot oil as it sets alight easily.
- Close inside doors at night to stop fire from spreading.
- Test your smoke alarm every month and change the batteries every year.

If you are worried about fire safety in your home and would like to talk to someone about it, you can contact your local fire service or visit **www.fireservice.co.uk**.

Alternatively, you can contact our Fire Officers on **0330 100 0272**.