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### **Fire Prevention Week 2020 – Keep Your Kitchen Clutter Free**

**Olympia** – This year's Fire Prevention Week campaign, “Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen!” works to educate everyone about the simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves, and those around them, safe in the kitchen.

The Washington State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) joins the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) in advising residents to keep cooking areas clear and clutter free. Keep anything that can catch fire away from your stovetop. This includes oven mitts, towels, cookbooks, wooden utensils, and food packaging.

To find out more about Fire Prevention Week programs and activities in your area, contact your local fire department. For more general information about Fire Prevention Week and cooking fire prevention, visit [www.fpw.org](http://www.fpw.org).

For more about fire safety, contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at 360-596-3929.

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The State Fire Marshal's Office is a Bureau of the Washington State Patrol, providing fire and life safety services to the citizens of Washington State including inspections of state licensed facilities, plan review of school construction projects, licensing of fire sprinkler contractors and pyrotechnic operators, training Washington States firefighters, and collecting emergency response data.

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