CPSC Safety Alert



Flammable Liquid Vapors: Invisible, Explosive & Unpredictable

Don't Get Burned!

Each year, thousands of emergency department–treated injuries are related to flammable liquids. Many burn incidents involve a flammable liquid used on a backyard fire pit, a campfire, a bonfire or burning trash.

Vapors from these liquids are invisible and dangerous. Use extra caution around gasoline and other flammable liquids.

Flammable Liquid Safety Tips



Close flammable liquid containers after use. Remove them from area before lighting the fire.



Test lighters away from the fill area to prevent ignition of flammable vapors.



Do not wipe flammable liquids from your hands onto clothing. Spot clean, and line dry clothes, if flammable liquids are spilled.



Never pour a flammable liquid on a fire or on embers or hot materials. The fire can re-ignite and follow vapors back to you.



Before refueling power equipment, stop the engine and allow it to cool down.



Store flammable liquids or gasoline-powered equipment away from sources of sparks and flames, keeping them outside the home whenever possible.

