Preventive Tips

Learn how to prevent your vehicle from catching fire by following these tips:

1. Service regularly

Service your vehicle regularly.



2. Check for defects

During servicing, ensure that the vehicle's electrical, engine and fuel systems are checked for any defects.



3. Self-inspection

Outside of the scheduled servicing period, conduct visual checks for any sign of leakages.



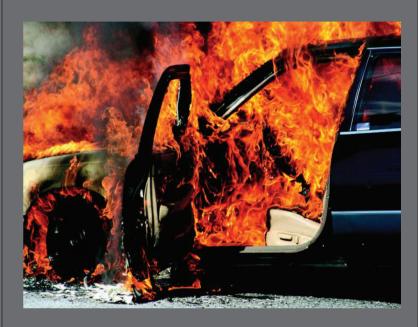
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Tips on Preventing & Handling Vehicle Fires



Primary Causes of Vehicle Fire

Most vehicle fires in Singapore occur while the vehicles are travelling on the road.

The primary causes of these fires are due to ignition sources such as overheating and electrical faults within the engine compartment.

Vehicle owners are advised against any unauthorised additions or modifications to their vehicles.

Measures To Minimise Injury

While travelling, if a vehicle owner spots any sign of smoke emitting from the vehicle:

1. Pull over

Pull over safely to the road shoulder where possible.



2. Engines off

Turn off the ignition after stopping.



3. Evacuate

Evacuate everyone from the vehicle.



If you detect a fire and have a fire extinguisher with you, attempt to extinguish the fire while it is still small. Otherwise, call 995 for the SCDF.



Equip Your Vehicle With a Fire Extinguisher

Most vehicle fires start small but develop rapidly due to the presence of flammables such as petrol, diesel and lubricants.

It is advisable for every vehicle to be equipped with a dry powder fire extinguisher to extinguish a small fire before it spreads or grows any larger.

P.A.S.S. Method

Pull out the safety pin as instructed on the label.

Aim the nozzle at the base of the fire.

Squeeze the lever with a firm grip.

Sweep the nozzle from side to side.



Further Information

For a step-by-step guide on how to operate a fire extinguisher, please visit the SCDF website link at:

www.scdf.gov.sg/community-volunteers/publications

Or download the mySCDF mobile application from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.



