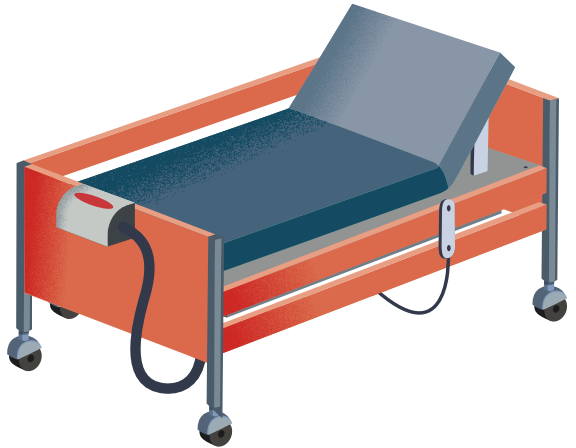




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Pressure Relieving Devices and Fire Safety

**Important fire
safety information
for people using
pressure relieving
devices.**





Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service provides home fire safety advice to keep you safe at home.

If you are concerned about your fire safety, or the fire safety of others, please visit our website below to complete our online assessment for personalised advice or to find out if you are eligible for a Home Fire Safety Assessment.


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Now you are benefitting from a pressure relieving device, follow these important tips to help keep yourself safe from fire:

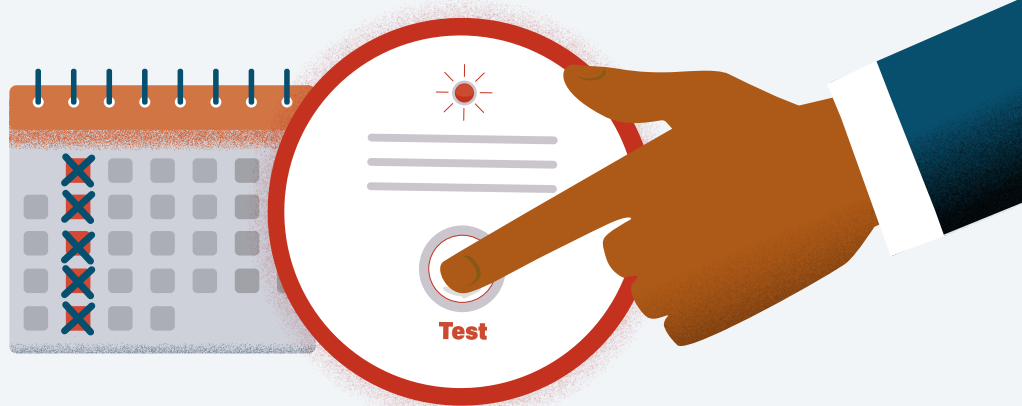
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- ✗ Never smoke in bed or whilst using a pressure relieving device.
 - ✗ Never burn candles in the room where your bed or device is kept.
 - ✗ Never use matches or lighters near your bed or device.
 - ✗ Never use electric blankets in combination with your pressure relieving device.
 - ✗ Never overload electrical sockets.
 - ✗ Never place hot items, such as hairdryers or hair straighteners, on your bed or device.



If paraffin-based or paraffin-free emollient products, such as creams, get onto fabrics, the dried residue will make the fabric more flammable. If there is any risk that your clothes, bedding or bandages are contaminated with emollient residue don't smoke, or go near naked flames, smoking materials, cookers, heaters or other ignition sources.

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- ✓ Keep ignition sources away from your bed or device.
 - ✓ Keep fires and heaters away from your bed or device.
 - ✓ If you use a mobility aid, keep it within reach of your bed or device.
 - ✓ Use fire retardant bedding.
 - ✓ Ensure electrical equipment is maintained and kept a safe distance from your pressure relieving device. Switch off electrical equipment and unplug at the mains when not in use.

**Fit a smoke alarm on every level of your home
and test your alarms weekly.**



A working smoke alarm can buy you valuable time to:



Get out



Stay out



Call 999

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If you do not have access to the internet, call **0800 555 815**