

- a. wet some sheets and towels and stuff up cracks of door to keep out smoke;
 - b. using the ice bucket bail water from the tub to the door to cool it down;
6. if possible, put the mattress standing up against the door and block it into place with the chest of drawers. Bail water from the tub to the mattress to soak it up and keep it wet;
 7. place a wet towel around your mouth and nose to filter air;
 8. if smoke begins seeping into the room through the air conditioning outlets, plug them as well with wet cloth;
 9. if there is flame outside your window, pull down the drapes and curtains and pour water on the combustible parts of the window.

ELEVATOR

NEVER USE an elevator as a fire escape route:

1. the shaft will become a chimney full of smoke;
2. automatic controls will take the elevator to the floor of the fire where an excessive heat exists;

3. electrical power might fail, or water can cause a short circuit, stop the elevator and trap you in it.

JUMPING

Don't panic - let your common sense prevail:

1. Ground Floor: no problem to jump from a window or balcony;
2. Second Floor: take care not to hit an obstacle;
3. Third Floor: you might break a leg, or if you hit an obstacle you might be turned around and land on your head;
4. Fourth Floor or Higher: wait for rescue, and fight fire and smoke rather than be a passive victim waving frantically from a window or balcony.

CALLING FIRE DEPARTMENT

Many hotels "refrain from disturbing guests" when a fire is reported. They do not immediately call the Fire Department: they investigate first and try to extinguish small fires.

If you see smoke or fire when you are in your room, call the Fire Department directly if you can. REMEMBER THAT SMOKE is the principle killer in a hotel fire.