
the elevator to the fire floor itself, where dense smoke may interfere with the elevator's light sensitive electric eye, stopping the door from closing. Also, water from fire fighting operations may short out the central switch, causing the elevator to stop.

Your major decision in reacting to a fire is whether to leave your apartment or stay where you are. Unless you are in immediate danger from fire, you may be better off staying in your suite.

IF THE FIRE IS IN YOUR SUITE ...

- Alert everyone in the suite.
- Leave your suite. Close door, leaving it unlocked.
- Sound fire alarm in the corridor.
- Call the Fire Department, giving the street address, floor and apartment number.
- Leave your floor by the nearest exit stairway, closing the door behind you to prevent the spread of smoke and heat.
- NEVER USE THE ELEVATORS.

IF THE FIRE IS IN THE BUILDING ...

- Call the Fire Department, giving details. Never assume this has already been done.
- Unplug all appliances.

EITHER EVACUATE ...

- Be prepared to encounter heavy smoke and heat in your evacuation. If time allows, put on shoes and a heavy coat for protection. Cover your nose and mouth with a cloth, preferably wet.
- Test all doors before opening them. If the entrance door or the knob feels hot, deadly heat and gases under considerable pressure have already filled the corridor. Even if the door is cool, be prepared. Brace yourself against the door and open it a little. If you feel air pressure or a hot draft, close the door quickly and remain in your suite.
- If the corridor is clear, close the suite door behind you and leave the building via the nearest exit stairway, again closing the door behind you.