

# Woodbridge Fire Prevention

## FIRE SAFETY AT WORK

By all accounts and statistics, residential fires are the number one cause of civilian death and injury when considering loss due to fire . That still leaves a



staggering amount of property loss, injury and death that occurs in the workplace. Because the business community in Woodbridge is diverse and varied , it is our goal to make the employee as well as the employer knowledgeable about workplace fire safety.

At the very least, every business in town should have in place an evacuation plan, and inform all employees on the best ways to safely exit the building in an emergency. During an emergency is not the time to find out where your nearest emergency exit is. If your first exit is blocked by fire do you know a second way out. Larger business can appoint certain individuals to help organize other workers during evacuation. Each employee should take the time to know about their workplace and how to remain safe especially during an emergency. Just asking simple questions might be enough. Do you have a fire alarm at your business ? Dose it work? Is it monitored (when the fire alarm goes off will the Fire Department respond automatically or do you have to call 9-1-1)? Are there fire extinguishers ? Do you know how to use them?

We can review your fire safety plan and make recommendations on how to improve upon it. We also offer basic fire extinguisher training . The Woodbridge Fire Prevention Bureau is here to help you with these questions.