



SMOKE alarms (separate from heat alarms)

Your apartment has been fitted with VEGA detectors. The detector combines both a photoelectric and thermal sensing element.

There is a button in the middle of most new models that says **HUSH**.

If the alarm activates & there is no fire, press once to HUSH for 5 minutes, repeat if necessary.

A chirping sound tells you it is temporarily disabled. **Open balcony doors and windows** (*NOT your front door to the hallway*) and fan smoke away with a tea towel, piece of card, or whatever is safely at hand to dissipate 'particles of combustion'.

Actual smoke does not have to be present for smoke alarm to activate, the sensor reacts to the perceived risk in the atmosphere.

Note - **Disabling your alarm may invalidate your insurance.**



PLEASE DO NOT OPEN YOUR FRONT DOOR IF THERE IS NO FIRE

For instance, if you have simply burnt food.

Smoke triggers the smoke alarms in the hall & automatically summons the fire department at a cost of \$1,600.00 per call out. (The heat alarm within your apartment does the same.)