

Frequently asked questions:

- ***I have a hob and oven in different places.*** The stove guard is primarily intended for hobs. Hob fires also have the potential to develop into larger fires. Usually, oven fires are not as serious, even if a charred pizza in the oven can give off toxic fumes.
- ***The stove guard turns itself off randomly.*** Check whether your stove guard is a newer model. The latest stove guards are better and safer to use, and will prevent this happening. It is also important for you to familiarise yourself with and follow the instructions for your stove guard.
- ***Do I need a stove guard if I have an induction hob?*** The stove guard requirement applies no matter what the type of hob. It applies to ceramic hobs, induction or cast iron hobs. An induction stove will continue to heat a saucepan as long as it is on the stove. Such cookers can thus also catch fire.
- ***I have a gas stove. Do I still need a stove guard?*** No, but gas cookers nowadays require a flame guard. Furthermore, electric stoves constitute the greatest risk of fire.



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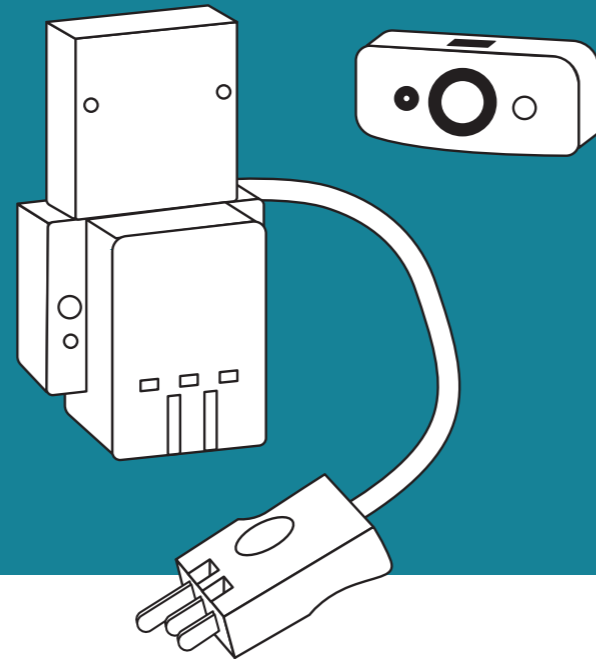
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More than half of the fires in Norwegian homes are caused by pots boiled dry or stove fires. It can happen to anyone: Young people cooking food at night, the parents of young children who are disturbed in the middle of cooking and the elderly who have forgotten their food cooking on the stove.



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What is a stove guard?

1. How does it work?

A stove guard makes a warning sound and automatically cuts the power if you forget to turn off the hob or it gets too hot.

Stove guards consist of two parts: a sensor located above the stove and a power switch, which is either positioned behind the stove or in the fuse box. The sensor monitors the hobs. If the sensor detects a fire risk, it triggers an alarm. If no one responds to this, the sensor will make a switch turn off the power to the stove. Stove guards can be installed on all electrical cookers.

2. Rehab versus fixed?

There are two types of stove guards:

1. Stove guards connected via a cable to a socket (known as a rehab). This simple type of stove guard can be fitted by anyone. See the illustration above.
2. Stove guards connected to the electrical system requiring a connection to the fuse box. These should be installed by an electrical installer. When refurbishing the kitchen and electrical circuits, this type of stove guard is a required.

What is the price of a stove guard?

The price of a stove guard starts at about 3,500 NOK, depending on what it can do. The simplest type is the cheapest. The «Rolls Royce option» can cost three times as much.

Both variants are approved, but regardless of type, the authorities recommend buying stove guards that are FG-approved, i.e. approved by the FG Skadeteknikk, and which have been through standardised testing. You can find FG-approved stove guards here:

<https://www.fgsikring.no/brann/komfyrvakt/fg/>

Insurance discount: Certain insurance companies will give you a safety discount on your insurance premiums if you have installed a FG-approved stove guard. Please check with your insurance company if this applies to you.

Where can I get a stove guard?

Stove guards can be purchased at all electronics stores, a range of kitchen shops and online stores, for example, on the websites of stove guard suppliers and insurance companies. If you receive health services from the municipality, you can check if you can borrow a stove guard from there.

What about the regulations?

The authorities have the following requirements for stove guards:

- in all new homes
- when changing electrical installations at home
- when you refurbish your kitchen and need a new electrical circuit.

The same rules apply to holiday homes. The stove guard requirements apply to homes and dormitories/flats, i.e. where people sleep and live permanently. The requirements do not apply to kitchenettes and kitchens in the workplace/office buildings.