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Vehicle Fires

If your vehicle catches fire follow these simple steps.

1. Stop the vehicle
2. Turn off the ignition
3. Evacuate the vehicle, shut the doors and keep the area clear
4. Call the fire service on triple zero (000) or ensure someone else does
5. Only attempt to extinguish the fire yourself if it is SAFE to do so and if you are confident:
 - If the vehicle is LPG powered – turn off the main supply valve. (You should familiarise yourself with its location in your vehicle.)
 - If an extinguisher is available – attempt to extinguish the fire with extreme caution

If the fire is under the bonnet – release the bonnet catch only. Do not lift the bonnet as a rush of air could cause a flare-up resulting in serious burns. Discharge the contents of the extinguisher through bonnet gap.

If the fire is in the cabin – discharge the contents of the extinguisher into the cabin directly on the fire and close the door.

6. Once the fire has been extinguished do not drive the vehicle until it has been checked by an auto electrician or a qualified mechanic.

IMPORTANT

Smoke from burning plastics contains many toxic substances.

Avoid breathing this smoke at all costs.

