

FIRE MARSHAL BOB'S FIRE SAFETY TIPS



There are about 15,500 dryer fires each year, causing an estimated \$84 million in damage

Causes

- **Most dryer fires are caused by lint buildup**
- **Heat source too close to flammables**
- **Overloaded dryer**
- **Rubber, plastic, or foam inside the dryer**

Solutions

- **Clean the lint filter after each use**
- **Clean the exhaust duct twice a year**
- **Only load the dryer to designed capacity**
- **Install a smoke detector above the dryer**
- **Never leave the dryer running when you leave or sleep**