Be prepared and know what to do in a fire situation:

- Be familiar with the hotel safety systems, such as the floor plans and the location of all exits. In case of an emergency, **EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY**.
- Apathy can put you in danger and ignoring fire alarms hinders evacuation and lifesaving operations.
- Know your neighbors and be aware of anyone with disabilities or special needs who may require assistance from you or fire service personnel.
- Keep a flashlight and keys easily accessible.

If a fire occurs in your room:

- Leave immediately and close the door behind you.
- Exit from the safest stairwell and leave the hotel. Once you reach a safe location outside, call 911 and then Public Safety at (602) 888-5516 and provide the officer with your floor and room number.
- Never go up stairs, and never go to the roof because smoke and heat rise.
- Do not use elevators. They are to be used by the fire department only.

If a fire occurs in another room:

- Activate a manual pull station and evacuate the building.
- Call 911 first and provide the dispatcher with the building address, your location and the location of the fire. Then call Public Safety at (602) 888-5516.
- Take your keys and a flashlight with you. Before leaving, feel the door with the back of your hand to ensure fire conditions outside your room are not dangerous. **DON’T** leave if the door is hot to the touch – stay in place. If the door is cool to the touch, open the door slightly. If smoke conditions are not dangerous, go to the safest stairwell.
- If the door is hot to the touch and you stay in your room, do not break the window. If smoke and heat start to build up, open the window slightly. If your window does not open, stay low to the floor. Also, seal the door by placing a wet towel at the bottom.

These are general guidelines to consider if a fire strikes at the hotel. Please remember that no two fires are alike, all fires behave differently and each may require a different response. Being prepared, remaining calm and knowing what to do in a situation can help save your life. Remember, alcohol or drug abuse often impairs judgment and hampers evacuation efforts. Using clear, rational judgment can save your life.
Did you know?

- 54 percent of fires occur between November and April.
- 83 percent of reported structure fires involve cooking equipment.
- From January 2000 to March 2014, 85 fatal fires occurred on college campuses and Greek or off-campus housing, claiming a total of 122 victims.
- Structure fires in residence halls are more common during the evening hours between 5:00 and 11:00 p.m. and on weekends.

Colleges and universities must have a P.L.A.N.

When an emergency strikes, people tend to panic and may not know or remember what to do. Having a plan in place for emergencies will increase your ability to act quickly and avoid injury. The Mesa Fire and Medical Department recommends you PLAN for emergencies.

- **Practice** fire drills.
- **Learn** cooking safety.
- **Apathy** is the enemy.
- **Never** overload electrical outlets.

Safety Tips

- Read the multicolored Emergency Response and Recovery Plan.
- Check that you have a working smoke detector.
- Know the locations of all stairways and emergency exits on your floor.
- Check stairways for heat and/or smoke conditions before entering.
- Take your keys and a flashlight with you.
- If a fire occurs in your room, LEAVE IMMEDIATELY!
- Make sure you close the door behind you.
- When you reach a safe area, call 911, then Public Safety at (602) 888-5516 and alert building tenants.
- **Never** use candles in the hotel rooms.
- The Phoenix Marriott Mesa is equipped with a fire alarm system which can be activated at certain temperature levels or smoke conditions. However, many small fires will require a fire alarm pull station to be manually activated. Should you discover a fire, remember **RACE**:
  - **R**emove anyone from immediate danger.
  - **A**ctivate the fire alarm system by pulling the nearest fire alarm pull station, call 911 and then Public Safety at (602) 888-5516.
  - **C**ontain the fire by closing doors.
  - **E**vacuate the hotel.