# TENTS, TARPS + FLAMES: **A DEADLY** COMBINATION

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- Tents and tarps are highly flammable.
- Fires can spread easily from tent to tent.
- Tents can melt and/or catch fire and have been known to trap people underneath.
- If a fuel-burning appliance is used, it will release **carbon monoxide**, a poisonous, odourless gas.

Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency wants you to stay safe. Please follow the advice on the back of this card.

#### **IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY CALL: 911**

#### **PREVENT FIRES**



NO fuels or gases (propane, butane etc.) near/in tents



NO candles or flames near/in tents



NO electric or gas-fuelled heaters, burners or lamps near/in tents



NO smoking near/in tents

### **PREVENT FIRES FROM SPREADING**



Keep tents apart at least 1m (3ft)



Only one tent per tarp and only use flame resistant tarps (check tag)



To protect your safety, authorities may need to remove equipment, fuel, tents or tarps deemed to be a hazard.

