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## What's wrong with this picture?

Using water to extinguish a natural gas fire is ineffective and can be dangerous.



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# Let it burn!

Spraying water on a natural gas fire will not extinguish the fire, and it can complicate matters by introducing water into gas pipelines. Burning gas helps you locate the source of the leak. So instead of trying to extinguish a gas fire, always allow it to burn until the gas source is turned off. When the gas supply is depleted, the fire will go out on its own.

## Sign up for more gas incident response tips

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### Smell Gas. Act Fast.

If you suspect a natural gas leak, call **911** and **National Grid** immediately.

Massachusetts ..... **1-800-233-5325** and **911**

#### New York

Long Island and the Rockaways **1-800-490-0045** and **911**

Metro NY ..... **911** and **1-718-643-4050**

Upstate NY ..... **1-800-892-2345** and **911**

Rhode Island ..... **1-800-640-1595** and **911**

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