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Hampshire & Isle of Wight Fire & Rescue Service

**RISKS OF
EMOLLIENTS?**

Emollients are creams, sprays and lotions that may contain paraffin or other products like butters and oils.

Both paraffin and non-paraffin emollients can act as an accelerant when absorbed into clothing and exposed to naked flames or other heat sources.

Stay aware of the risks and take precautions to keep you and your loved ones safe!

Scan the QR code to find out more or speak to your pharmacist about the risks.



Reduce the risks:

- Never smoke in bed.
- If your clothing, bedding / blankets are affected by emollients:
 - Be cautious when smoking
 - Take care when cooking with gas or electric hobs
 - Do not sit too close to any open fires, gas fires or halogen heaters
- Wash your clothing and bedding daily at the highest temperature recommended. Although this will lower your risk, washing fabrics does not completely remove all fire risks.