



# Avoiding Risks with Emollients

## What are **Emollients**?

- ➞ **Emollients** are moisturisers which are used to help dry or itchy skin
- ➞ They are usually applied often, and in generous amounts



## Fire Risks with **Emollients**



**Emollients** can transfer from skin onto materials such as clothing or bedding



When exposed to a naked flame, **emollients** are more likely to catch fire

**To avoid this increased fire risk, always:**



Keep away from fire and lit cigarettes



Wash clothing and bedding at a high temperature regularly to remove any dried **emollient**



## Reducing the Risk of Slips

**Emollients** can be very slippery. To avoid injury, ensure you:



Use a non-slip mat in the bath or shower



Clean the bath/shower after use