



The University of Hong Kong

SAFETY MATTERS

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To: All Caterers in HKU

Ref.: Electric Hot Plate

There was a small fire in one of the catering outlets in the Campus. Investigation revealed that heavy grease deposits in the inner side and the grease trap of the electric hot plate was ignited. Fortunately the fire was detected and extinguished by a worker with a fire extinguisher. There was no property damage or casualty.

You are reminded to take measures to ensure that the grease deposits in the hot plates is satisfactorily removed on a regular basis. The grease trap is to be emptied and scrubbed clean every day or when it is full.

Please also check that the power supply is switched off at the end of the day.

Marking on the control knobs may have fade over time and please carry out a check to ensure that the marking for 'on' and 'off' is clearly legible.

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