Welcome to your new home! Following these tips may help prevent your smoke detector from going off!

1. **Do not leave food unattended while cooking**
   A watched pot may never boil, but an unwatched pot may catch on fire.

2. **Do not mix hot oil and water or overheat oil**
   Oil + excessive heat or water = smoke.

3. **Keep your oven, stove top, and drip pans clean**
   Food that falls into the burner and drip pans may start a fire, so keep the area clean.

4. **Use a lid or splatter shield**
   A lid will keep the steam contained to the pot.

5. **Turn on the exhaust fan when cooking**
   It doesn’t work if it isn’t on! It will help remove the smoke before it gets to the detector. Also remember steam from cooking or the shower can also set them off.

6. **Never put metal in the microwave**
   This may cause a fire.

7. **Use the shortest time and lowest heat setting when cooking in the microwave**
   One example is popcorn, which can burn in seconds setting off the detector.