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Apartment Fire

1441 N. Ports O'Call Dr., Palatine, IL

Incident #25-05231

Sunday, July 27, 2025

4:31 p.m.

On Sunday, July 27, 2025, at 4:31 p.m., the Palatine Fire Department responded to 1441 N. Ports O'Call Dr. for the report of an apartment fire. The first Palatine Fire Department unit arrived six minutes later and reported smoke showing from the roof of a three-story apartment building, and upgraded to a working fire response. The initial fire crews located the fire in the kitchen of an apartment on the third floor. Firefighters quickly extinguished the fire and then ventilated to remove smoke from the building. Fire damage was confined to a single unit on the third floor, while smoke and water damage affected five additional units. The fire was declared under control at 5:02 p.m. Firefighting crews performed searches of the building to ensure there were no trapped civilians, while other firefighting crews performed overhaul to expose any hidden fire.

No civilians or firefighters were injured during this incident. The fire is currently under investigation, and damage estimates are not available at this time.

Thirty-two firefighters fought the fire, staffing five engines, two ladder trucks, one rescue squad, and five ambulances, which responded to the scene along with three command officers. The Arlington Heights Fire Department, Barrington Fire Department, Buffalo Grove Fire Department, Rolling Meadows Fire Department, Wheeling Fire Department, and the Long Grove Fire Protection District provided personnel and equipment through automatic aid agreements during this fire. The Palatine Police Department assisted at the scene with traffic and crowd control. The American Red Cross assisted the families impacted by the fire.

The Palatine Fire Department reminds everyone to have working smoke alarms in their homes, whether it is a single-family dwelling, an apartment, or a condo.

For more fire safety tips, visit <https://www.palatine.il.us/796/Community-Risk-Reduction> and <https://www.nfpa.org/Education-and-Research/Home-Fire-Safety>