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More than **1/3** of home decoration fires are started by candles.

As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.



Keep candles at least **12 inches** away from anything that burns.



Think about using **battery-operated** flameless candles.



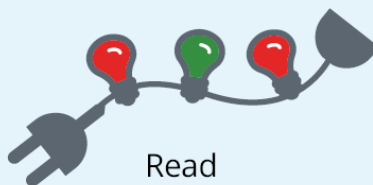
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More than **1 in every 5** Christmas tree fires were caused by a heat source too close to the tree.

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Read manufacturer's instructions for the number of light strands to connect.



Make sure your tree is **at least 3 feet** away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators and space heaters.





Use holiday lighting safely.

Throw away light strands with frayed or pinched wires. Turn off all your holiday lights before going to bed or leaving your home.



Keep candles 12 inches away from things that can burn.

Consider using flameless candles in your holiday decorations.



"Senior Fire Safety Tips"



📌 Older adults have a 2.5 times greater risk of dying in a fire than the U.S. population as a whole.

- Your risk of dying in a home fire is greater as you get older.
- Discuss your fire escape plan with family and neighbors. If you live in a multi-family facility, contact the building manager or **Hazel Crest Fire – Rescue Department** to discuss your plan if you need extra help escaping.
- If you utilize a walker or wheelchair, check all exits to be sure that you can access through the doorways.
- If you cannot hear your smoke alarm, consider getting one that has a different sound or one that comes with a bed shaker or strobe light.
- From a “fire prevention perspective”, we encourage “caregivers” to check the operations of smoke alarms of those who are unable to themselves. Note: If you do not have installed “smoke detectors”, contact **Hazel Crest Fire - Rescue Department**, and we can advise you what to do next.
- Never smoke or allow anyone to smoke around medical oxygen.
- If you are cooking, insert a battery-operated timer in your pocket or apron, and set alarm timer to remind you that you are cooking.
- **Hazel Crest Fire-Rescue: 708-335-9630**