



*battery-operated
flameless candles*



*Keep your tree at least 3 feet away
from heat sources.*



Winter Holiday Fire Safety

*Nearly half
of holiday
decoration fires
happen because
decorations are
placed too close
to a heat
source.*

It's fun to decorate for the winter holidays, but holiday decorations can increase your risk for a home fire. As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.

- Inspect holiday lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots and excessive kinking or wear before putting them up.
- Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet.
- Consider using battery-operated flameless candles, which can look, smell and feel like real candles.
- If you do use lit candles, make sure they are in stable holders, and place them where they cannot be knocked down easily.

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