

# Holiday Safety



## General

- Install CO smoke detectors
- Have an operable fire extinguisher
- Keep small or breakable ornaments out of reach of children or pets
- Keep hot beverages away from edges of tables or stoves



## Candles

- Consider "flameless" candles
- Never use candles on trees
- Place candles in sturdy containers
- Do not leave candles unattended



## Lights

- Use approved lighting (UL, FM, ETL)
- Inspect before use (old and new)
- Discard if worn and/or frayed
- Verify proper wattage and voltage
- Unplug before replacing bulbs
- Connect no more than 3 strands
- Avoid overloading outlets & cords
- Use "outdoor" lights for exterior
- Point electrical sockets down to avoid moisture build up
- Keep electrical connectors above ground (out of puddles & snow)
- Wrap plastic bag around connections & tie ends with Teflon



## Fireplace

- Dispose of ashes in metal container
- Maintain a 3 ft clearance between combustibles and heat sources



## Trees

- Cut 1" off trunk to absorb water
- A 6 ft tree absorbs ½ gal per day
- Use Flame Resistant artificial trees
- No electric lights on metallic trees

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