

Holiday Safety Tips

Choose a freshly cut tree.

LIVE TREES NEED WATER! Check and refill water often.

Cut a few inches off the trunk before placing in water.

When your tree becomes dry, discard it promptly.

Keep your tree away from heat sources, sparks, or flames.

Avoid accidents by using wire or cord to secure your tree to the wall or ceiling. This will prevent it from toppling over on active small children or pets.

Do not leave Christmas tree lights on while unattended.

Check all light sets prior to use. Do not use damaged light sets or extension cords.

Use only Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved lights on your tree, and **NO CANDLES**.

Use only non-combustible decorations

Avoid overloading the connections while decorating.

Promptly remove all discarded packages and wrappings from the home.

Never burn wrappings in the fireplace or wood stove.

If you use candles, make sure they are in stable holders on a flat stable surface and create a 1-foot circle of safety surrounding them

NEVER leave the house with candles burning **NEVER** leave children or pets unattended with a lit candle, the candle can easily be knocked over.

NEVER use candles near combustible materials such as curtains, drapes, bedding, or cabinets.





Smoke Alarms & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

- Install a smoke alarm on every level of your home.
- Test your home smoke alarm at least once per week.

To test, press the test button on the unit. Your model may also let you test with a flashlight. Check your operations manual or consult the manufacturer for testing instructions.

- If you don't have one, install a carbon monoxide detector.

 Carbon monoxide is a tasteless, odorless, invisible gas, which is absorbed by the human body 200 times faster than oxygen.

 Carbon monoxide will cause people to fall into a deep sleep and cause death. Gas fireplaces, gas stoves, barbecues, gas furnaces, automobiles, propane appliances, and any other device that produces a flame will produce carbon monoxide.
- Change batteries on smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors when the clocks change.

