PUT A FREEZE ON WINTER HOLIDAY FIRES

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.

Read manufacturer's instructions

for the number of light strands to connect.

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2 out of **5** **home decoration fires are started by candles.**

The top **3** days for home candle fires are **Christmas, New Year's Day** and **Christmas Eve.**

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

Although live Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are dangerous. On average,

1 of every **31** reported home **Christmas tree fires resulted in death.**

A heat source too close to the Christmas tree causes

1 in every **4** of the fires.

Make sure your tree is at least

3 **feet away from heat sources** like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents. Also, make sure your tree does not block exits.

Get rid of your tree after Christmas or when it is dry.

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit: www.usfa.fema.gov and www.nfpa.org

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