



'Tis the season to be jolly, so take a few precautions to keep your holidays happy!



Don't let that glow in the sky be your home. Play it safe with these precautions. Remember, fire only needs a chance — don't give it one.

- Keep matches well out of reach of children.
- Be sure your smoke alarm is working properly.
- Don't place your tree near a fireplace or heater.
- Makeshift ladders are the number one cause of injury during the holiday season. Be careful what you stand on.
- Check your Christmas lights for frayed or exposed wires, loose connections or broken sockets before you put them up.
- Make sure your tree is securely anchored in a tree stand and kept well watered.
- Don't use indoor Christmas lights or extension cords outside.
- Don't overload circuits or have too many plugs in one socket.
- Turn off and unplug all Christmas lights, indoors and out, before going to bed.
- Use flame-resistant or non-flammable decorations. If they are not labeled flame-resistant, don't buy them!
- Have a fire extinguisher in your home at all times.



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