

Christmas Fire Safety



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On the 1st day of Christmas

There is an increased risk of fire in the home a Christmas time. So it is a good idea to check your smoke alarms are working!

On the 2nd day of Christmas

Test your smoke alarm weekly change your battery once a year.

On the 3rd day of Christmas

Make sure your family and visitors staying for the festive period know what to do in an emergency. Tell them your escape plan.

On the 4th day of Christmas

Check that your escape route is clear of obstacles and make sure door and window keys are in the right place.

On the 5th day of Christmas

As part of your bedtime routine, make sure you switch off and unplug electrical items your decorative lights and close your doors.

On the 6th day of Christmas

Check that your Christmas tree lights are all working and have not been damaged. Never overload electrical sockets.

On the 7th day of Christmas

Make sure you don't put candles in, or by, a Christmas tree. You should also take care to keep ribbons, festive decorations made of tissue paper or cardboard, and greetings cards away from heaters, lights, fireplaces and candles. Put out candles before you leave a room and before you go to bed.

On the 8th day of Christmas

60% of all fires start in the kitchen make sure you don't get distracted whilst cooking and take pans off the heat or turn the heat down if you are called away from the cooker.

On the 9th day of Christmas

Don't cook if you have been drinking alcohol – you may get drowsy and lose concentration.

On the 10th day of Christmas

If you are planning to use fireworks read the instructions – never give fireworks to under 18's be responsible and safe.

On the 11th day of Christmas

Keep matches, lighters and candles in a place where children can't see or reach them. Dispose of smoking materials safely.

On the 12th day of Christmas

Take time to check on elderly, vulnerable neighbours and relatives this Christmas.