

# Holiday Safety

## Trees

- When purchasing live trees, buy fresh trees with green needles that bend, but don't break.
- Keep your tree well-watered to avoid drying out the tree.
- For artificial trees, buy only ones labeled "fire resistant".
- Place the tree away from any heat sources such as a fireplace or radiator.

## Decorations

- Put breakable or tiny ornaments and tinsel high on the tree and out of reach of little fingers.
- Avoid decorations that resemble candy or food, which a child may be tempted to eat.

## Lights

- Check that all tree lights are tested for safety with a CSA or UL approved seal.
- Ensure lights used outdoors are certified for outdoor use. If possible, use ground fault circuit interrupter circuits (GFCI) for outside lights.
- Turn off all lights when you go to bed or leave the house.

## Plants

- Many holiday plants and holiday greenery are poisonous. Be careful of plants such as Holly, Poinsettias, Mistletoe and holiday greenery such as Balsam, Juniper, Cedar, Pine and Fir.
- Have the number of the Poison Control Center handy 1.800.222.1222.



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