

Be Burn Aware



Results from an independent survey conducted by Shriners Hospitals for Children® show many people do not practice fire and burn prevention during the holidays.

Follow these simple safety tips for a safe holiday season!

Water live trees daily

70%
Know it.



45%
Do it.

TREE CARE AND HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

- Water fresh-cut trees daily. Discard when dry.
- Keep trees away from heaters and flames.
- Inspect lights for bare wires, frays or kinks.
- Never use indoor lights outside.

HOLIDAY COOKING

- Keep an eye on what you fry.
- Turn pot handles toward the back of the stove so children cannot reach them.
- Wear short sleeves or roll up sleeves when cooking.
- Keep something, such as a lid or cookie sheet, nearby to cover a pan if it catches on fire.

25%

don't turn pot handles toward the back of the stove

47%

don't keep a lid or cookie sheet nearby to extinguish cooking fires

25%

of Americans leave **lit** candles unattended

CANDLE CARE

- Consider using battery-operated, flameless candles.
- Never leave lit candles unattended.
- Place candles in stable holders away from children, pets and flammable objects.



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Shriners Hospitals for Children has been a global leader in burn care, research and education since the 1960s.

Visit beburnaware.org for additional tips, activity books and more.

27%

of Americans leave **lit** candles within reach of children



BE PREPARED

- Make sure your home is equipped with working smoke alarms and fire extinguishers.
- Have a fire escape plan for your home and practice it regularly.

NATURAL GAS

- Teach every member of the household how to recognize the smell of natural gas. Some compare it to the smell of rotting eggs or food.
- Leave the house immediately if you think you smell natural gas and call your gas company or 911 for assistance once you are safely away.

Know the Smell of Gas. Do You?

85% know to leave their home immediately if they smell gas.



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