

CANDLE SAFETY

Candles are festive and pretty but they are a major cause of home fires. After all, a candle is an open flame and can easily set fire to anything that can burn.

- * *Blow out all candles when you leave the room.*
- * *Never leave a candle burning when you go to bed.*
- * *Avoid using candles in the bedroom.*
- * *Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.*

Candles and Kids

Never leave a child alone in a room with a lighted candle. Keep matches and lighters up high and out of reach.

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: WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND USING :
: FLAMELESS CANDLES IN YOUR HOME. :
: THEY LOOK LIKE REAL CANDLES AND :
: EVEN SMELL LIKE REAL CANDLES. :
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IF YOU DO BURN CANDLES...

- * *Use candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over, and put them on a heat-resistant surface.*
- * *Don't burn a candle all the way down -- put it out before it gets too close to the holder.*
- * *Trim the wick to 1/4 inch to keep the flame smaller.*
- ! *Never use candles during a power outage.*
! *Have a flashlight handy.*

FACTS

- ❖ On average, a candle fire in the home is reported in the U.S. every 30 minutes
 - ❖ About one-third of home candle fires started in the bedroom.
 - ❖ More than half of all candle fires start when things that can burn are too close to the candle.
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