

12 tips for a festive & fire safe Christmas

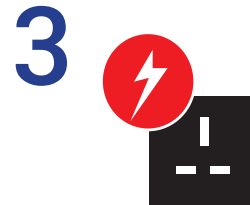
To help keep your property safe this Christmas, please follow these simple steps.



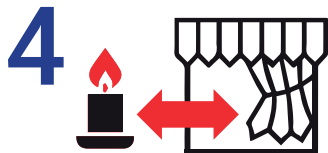
Have a **working smoke alarm installed** on every level of your property. **Check the batteries once a week** and **change them at least once a year**.



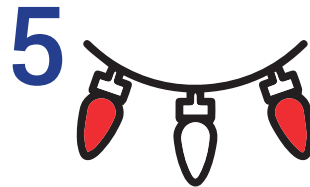
Keep your tree watered and away from sources of ignition. Make sure your tree **does not block exits**.



Do not overload plug sockets.



Make sure **candles are secured correctly** and kept away from curtains, blinds or Christmas decorations that can catch fire. **Do not leave candles unattended**.



Turn off appliances and electrical decorations when away from your home and overnight.



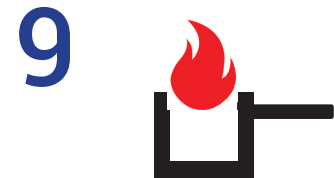
Plan an escape route and **keep all exits clear of clutter**. Make sure all guests and family are aware.



Keep inside doors closed, particularly at night. This can help slow fire down.



Make sure cigarettes are **carefully disposed of**, especially before you go to bed.



A large number of fires start in the kitchen. **Don't leave cooking unattended**.



Don't attach decorations to lights and heat sources, as they can burn easily.



Make sure outside lights are **designed for that purpose** and connect them through a residual current device (RCD).



Where possible, **visit less able friends, relatives and neighbours** to make sure they are safe and sound.

Speak to your broker if you have any questions about your property cover