

PUT A ON **FREEZE**

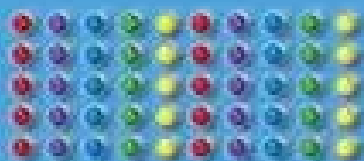
It's fun to decorate for the winter holidays, but holiday decorations can increase your risk for a home fire. As you deck the halls this season, be fire smart.

Connect no more than



3 strands of mini light sets.

Connect no more than



50 bulbs for screw-in light sets.

2 out of

5 home decoration fires are started by candles.



Keep candles at least



12 inches away from anything that burns.

Although live Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are dangerous. On average,

1 of every **40**

reported home Christmas tree fires resulted in death.



A heat source too close to the Christmas tree causes

1 in every **6** of the fires.

Make sure your tree is at least



3 feet away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles or heat vents.



Get rid of your tree after Christmas or when it is dry.

For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit: www.usfa.fema.gov/winter/ and www.nfpa.org/winter/

