

# Have a Safer Winter – Here's what you can do to stay safe from fire this Winter!

**If you've been drinking, don't cook. NEVER** leave cooking unattended.

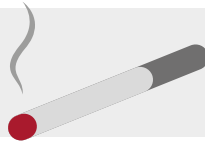


**Always put candles out** when you leave the room, go to bed or leave the house.



**Keep candles away from anything which could catch fire.**

**It's safer to smoke outside**, or standing at an exterior door or window, **especially if you are tired or have been drinking.**



**Keep portable heaters away** from furniture, bedding or curtains. Don't sit too close and **turn off portable heaters before going to bed.**



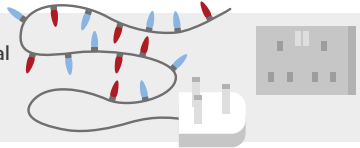
**Do not** smoke, use naked flames or get near to anything which may cause a fire whilst wearing clothing or a bandage that has **been in contact with emollient skin cream.**



Make sure your **smoke and heat alarms are working. Test them every week.**



**Unplug** fairy lights or other electrical Christmas decorations **when you leave the house or go to bed.**



If you've got a live Christmas tree it's important to **keep the tree stand filled with water at all times.**



**Keep in touch** with friends, relatives and neighbours who live alone or **who may be at risk.**

A **phone call**, or a socially distanced door-step chat **can make a massive difference at this time of year.**



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