Candle Safety Tips...

◊ Consider using battery operated flameless candles, which can look, smell & feel like real candles

◊ If you do use candles, ensure they are in sturdy metal, glass or ceramic holders and placed where they cannot be easily knocked down

◊ Avoid using candles in bedrooms and sleeping areas

◊ Extinguish candles after use and before going to bed

◊ Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that can burn

◊ Keep candles out of the reach of children & pets

◊ **Always use a flashlight**—not a candle—for emergency lighting

◊ **NEVER** leave a burning candle unattended!

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15,260 estimated number of home candle fires each year

166 estimated number of home candle fire deaths each year

1,289 estimated number of home candle fire injuries each year

55% of home candle fires start because the candle is too close to combustible materials

20% of candle fires begin when candles are unattended or abandoned

36% of home candle fires begin in the bedroom, more than in any other room

50% of candle fire deaths occur between midnight and 6am

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Did you know that December is the peak time of year for home candle fires?

Top 5 Days for Home Candle Fires...

1. Christmas Day
2. Christmas Eve
3. New Year’s Day
4. Halloween
5. December 23

*Source: Home Candle Fires, NFPA Fire Analysis & Research, Quincy, MA, June 2010*