## Snuff Out Candle Fires



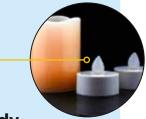
Most candle fires start when things that can burn are too close to the candle.

Install **smoke** and **carbon monoxide alarms** on every storey of your home.

Test them every month.

## How do I prevent a candle fire?

- Never leave a burning candle unattended. Burning candles can start a fire.
- Consider using battery-operated flameless candles, which can look, smell and feel like real candles.



- When using candles place them in sturdy, safe containers that will not burn or tip over.
- Keep candles at least **30 centimetres (12 inches)** from anything that can burn.
- Keep children and pets away from burning candles.
- Candles placed on or near tables, altars or shrines must be **kept under the supervision of an adult**.
- Avoid using candles in bedrooms. Blow out all candles when you leave a room or go to bed.

Use a **flashlight** instead of a candle for **emergency lighting**.



## For more information contact your local fire department.



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