



# HOLIDAY DECORATING



Christmas wrapping and decorations can be highly combustible and should be kept away from heat sources such as candles, lamps, fireplaces and wood burning stoves.



Gift wrap and boxes should be collected as soon as gifts are opened and discarded with the garbage or recycled where possible. Do not burn them in the fireplace.



Decorate with flame-retardant or non-combustible materials. Never use lit candles as decorations on Christmas trees.



Use only those lights that have been tested and labelled by an approved testing laboratory. Examine light strings, cords, plugs and receptacles before using. Discard any that have frayed cords, cracks in the lamp holders or loose connections.



Do not overload electrical circuits or extension cords, and follow instructions on cord labels regarding connecting lights strings to extension cords.



Never place furniture or other objects over electrical cords and in particular, never run electrical cords under a rug. With a rug covering the cord, any damage the cord may sustain can go unnoticed.



Avoid using timers on indoor lights. Tree lights could turn on when no one is home and create a potential fire hazard. Always turn Christmas lights off before leaving home or going to sleep.

