

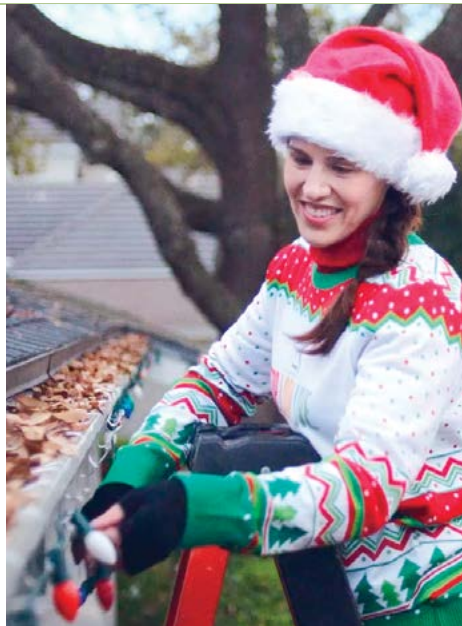
Holiday Lights Safety Tips

The holidays are a magical time of the year when families gather and memories are made. As you decorate your home with twinkling lights, trees, wreaths and more, be sure to decorate safely. Taking the proper precautions, both inside and outside your home, can prevent hazards and let you focus on friends and family during the holidays. Keep these three words in mind while decorating your home, especially when using equipment like ladders and long tools that extend your reach:

STOP When decorating outdoors, always start by surveying the area and identifying all power lines and electrical equipment.

LOOK Look around for potential electrical hazards and make a plan to avoid utility infrastructure.

LIVE Make sure equipment and decorations cannot come within 10 feet of any overhead power lines. Stay aware and stay safe.



Additionally, follow these tips to stay safe and safeguard your home while installing lights and decorations outdoors:

- If a decoration or other object comes in contact with electrical equipment, DO NOT attempt to remove it. Call 9-1-1 immediately.
- Be sure that lights and any tools you are using to hang them are completely within your control at all times and cannot contact electric equipment. Never throw lights or other decorations into trees or other tall structures.
- Do not install outdoor lights, inflatables and other decorations under or near any electric power lines.
- Lights should be approved by Underwriters Laboratory. “UL” will be clearly displayed on the tag, signifying the product has been inspected for potential safety hazards. Red UL marks indicate the lights are safe for indoor/outdoor use, and green UL marks indicate the lights are only safe for indoor use.

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