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HELPING YOUR CLIENTS PREVENT DISASTERS DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

During the winter and all through the holidays, there are several seasonal factors that can increase the risk of fire in policyholders' homes. These factors range from increased fireplace and candle usage to Christmas tree fire hazards. As beautiful as decorations can be, it's important to keep certain holiday fire safety tips in mind during this time.

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HOLIDAY DECORATION SAFETY TIPS

To ensure that holiday festivities are both happy and safe, here are 8 fire safety tips for your policyholders to remember as they deck the halls this holiday season.

- Choose decorations that are flame resistant or flame retardant.
- Check all holiday light cords to make sure they aren't frayed or broken. Don't string too many strands of lights together— no more than three per extension cord or a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Use clips, not nails, to hang lights so the cords do not get damaged.
- If getting a live tree, make sure it's fresh and water it to keep it fresh. Bend the needles up and down to ensure no needles fall off.
- Keep candles at least 12-inches from ANYTHING that can catch on fire.
- Don't forget to turn off all holiday lights when going to bed or leaving the house.
- If hanging stockings on the fireplace mantel, don't light the fireplace.
- Make sure your tree is at least 3-feet away from heat sources like fireplaces, radiators, space heaters, candles, and heat vents.

If your policyholder experiences a loss during this holiday season, don't hesitate to refer the nation's leading provider of disaster restoration, ServiceMaster DSI. From start to finish we will be there helping your client every step of the way.

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