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MERRY CHRISTMAS



Stay Safe While Decorating this Year

Deck the halls safely this holiday season! Learn important tips to prevent electrical hazards while decorating.



New-Mac Electric wants you to be safe while getting into the holiday spirit this year inside and outside of your home.

As we enter the holiday season, many of us are excited to bring out our festive decorations and light up our homes with holiday cheer. While we deck the halls, it's important to keep safety top of mind, especially when it comes to electricity. At New-Mac, we care about your well-being and want to ensure that your holidays are not only merry and bright but also safe.

Indoor Decorating Safety Tips:

- <u>Inspect Lights and Cords:</u> Before using any string lights or electrical decorations, check them for any signs of damage, such as frayed wires, broken sockets or loose connections. Discard any damaged items to prevent electrical shocks or fires.
- <u>Use Lights with UL Certification:</u> Ensure all your holiday lights and decorations have the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) certification, which signifies that the product meets specific safety standards.
- Avoid Overloading Outlets: Plugging too many decorations into a single outlet can cause overheating and potentially lead to a fire. Use power strips with surge protectors to help manage your electrical load safely.

Keep Trees Hydrated: If you have a real tree, keep it well-watered to prevent it from drying out and becoming a fire hazard. Keep the tree away from heat sources like fireplaces or heaters.

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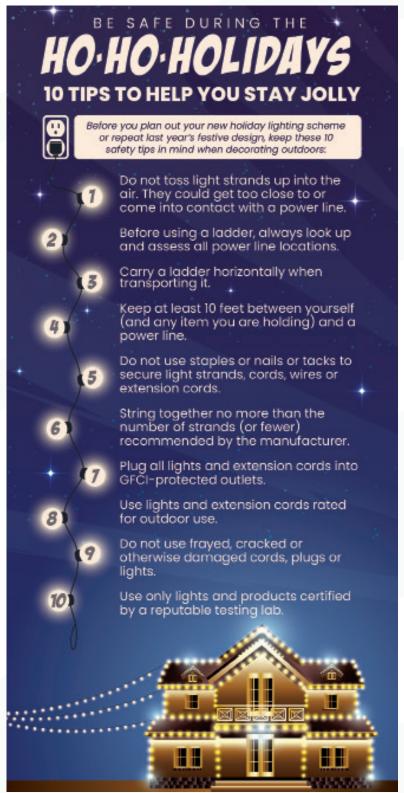
Outdoor Decorating Safety Tips:

- <u>Use Lights Rated for Outdoor Use:</u> Ensure that any lights or decorations you use outside are specifically rated for outdoor use. Indoor lights lack the weatherproofing necessary to withstand the elements.
- Keep Electrical Connections off the Ground: When setting up outdoor displays, ensure electrical connections are off the ground and away from puddles or snow. This can help prevent electrical shorts and potential shock hazards.
- <u>Use GFCI Outlets:</u> Outdoor decorations should be plugged into Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlets. These outlets are designed to shut off electrical power if they detect a ground fault, providing an extra layer of protection against shocks.
- Secure and Protect Cords: To prevent tripping hazards and protect cords from damage, avoid running them across walkways or driveways. Use outdoor-rated clips or stakes to secure cords safely.
- Avoid Decorating Near Power Lines: Always keep yourself and your decorations at least 10 feet away from overhead power lines. Never attempt to hang decorations on utility poles or trees near power lines.
- <u>Use Tools the Right Way:</u> Do not staple or nail through light strings or electrical cords, and do not attach anything to utility poles.

A Safe and Happy Holiday Season

By following these simple precautions, you can enjoy a safe and festive holiday season with your loved ones. Remember, safety should come first. If you have any questions or need additional safety tips, feel free to visit our website at newmac. com or contact us at 417-451-1515.

From all of us at New-Mac Electric, we wish you a joyful and safe holiday season filled with warmth and cheer.





Unclaimed patronage available for former members of New-Mac Electric

Names listed are former members of New-Mac Electric who have unclaimed past patronage with the Cooperative. You must contact the New-Mac office at 417-451-1515 within 60 days in order to claim your property. Properties listed fall within a defined monetary range. For an extensive listing of all unclaimed patronage, visit our website at newmac.com. More names will be published in upcom-

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In celebration of New Year's Day, we will be closed Jan. 1.

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