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“CHRISTMAS TREE FIRE SAFETY”

Fair Lawn’s Fire Prevention Bureau wishes all residents a joyous holiday season and reminds everyone that carelessness with Christmas trees can result in devastating fires. The following fire safety tips are offered:

- Before placing a live tree in the stand, cut 2” from base of the trunk.
- Add water to the live tree stand every morning and night.
- Place live tree at least 3 feet from heat sources; e.g., fireplace, radiator, candles
- Never use lit candles to decorate a live tree.
- Strands of lights should be inspected for worn insulation or loose bulb connection
- Turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving house or going to bed.
- Dispose of tree when it begins dropping needles. Dried-out trees are a fire danger
- Artificial trees are combustible unless they are labeled, certified or identified by the manufacturer as fire-retardant.

As always, be sure to have working smoke alarms on every level of your home. For further information on fire prevention & safety, call Fire Official Angelo Castronovo at 201-794-5408 or Castronovo@Fairlawn.org