

Maimonides Children's Hospital

Brooklyn's *Only* Pediatric Trauma Center

Safe Holiday Decorating

During the holiday season, emergency departments nationwide see more than 130,000 children who are injured due to burns, and many others with lamp oil poisoning.

Keep Yourself and Your Loved Ones Safe this Holiday Season with These Easy Tips

CANDLES

- Keep candles at least 3 feet away from anything flammable, such as curtains or furniture
- Do not leave burning candles unattended or out of sight
- Keep candles, lighters, matches, and oil out of the reach of children
- Use candle holders that are sturdy and nonflammable





LAMP OIL

- Do not fill oil cups more than 3/4 full, and keep wicks trimmed low to avoid uncontrolled large flames
- Place in a location out of the reach of children
- Oil can look like juice, so teach children not to touch or play with menorahs or oil
- Store oil only in containers with child-resistant caps and keep them out of reach or in a locked cabinet
- Take care not to spill oil when refilling

Call the **POISON CONTROL CENTER** at **800.222.1222** or **212.POISONS** (**212.764.7667**) for questions or concerns

Contact an Injury Prevention Professional with questions about prevention strategies or programs for your community

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