

# DURING HOLIDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS:

## Be careful and prevent accidents

### Mexico's Fiestas

They are a part of our traditions and celebrations take place all year round. To make them more lively, multicolor ornaments, lights, candles, and fireworks are used. **To prevent injuries, fires, and accidents, please follow these recommendations**

#### Piñatas, they are found in all festivities



Choose those made from cardboard to avoid injuries



Be careful as they are beaten



Don't fill them with heavy or sharp objects



Hold it securely, and mark the area



Keep a safe participation

#### Prevent accidents



Children should **not** be allowed in the kitchen



Candles must be inside a container; never on a dry area



Don't warm rooms with coal or gas burners



Before going to bed, unplug all ornaments and appliances



Choose presents and toys that are appropriate to recipient's age



Never drive if you have been drinking

Avoid clay piñatas; fragments may hurt you

### Christmas Trees and Nativity Scenes



- Place them on a strong base, away from walkways and air drafts
- Don't use lit candles as ornaments

### Christmas lights and series



- Choose led bulbs, because they consume less power
- Make sure sockets and plugs are in good condition, and don't overcharge them
- If you leave home, turn everything off

### December shows an increase of:



**300%**  
medical services due to burns caused by fireworks

**30%**  
accidents

### Be informed

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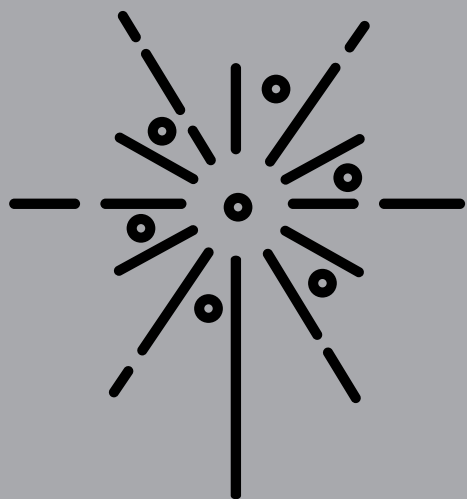
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# Enjoy the holidays

Pay attention to recommendations

## In the kitchen...



If using a pressure cooker, have an alarm to remind you to turn the fire off



Never leave the hot pan handles protruding out of the table or stove



Be more careful with children. They must **never** play in the kitchen

## Should here be burns or accidents



If someone's clothing catches fire, cover that person with a blanket, or have him/her roll over on the floor



Wash the burnt area with cold and clean water



Don't use ointment, cream, or any other product on the area



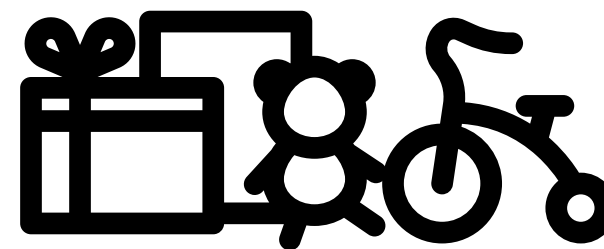
Cover the injury with a clean cloth or towel, and visit the nearest medical unit



If someone has an eye accident, do not try to cure him/her



Cover the eye with gauze and visit the doctor immediately



## While choosing toys and presents



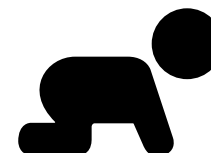
Read all instructions and teach kids how to handle them



Make sure they are lead-free, particularly any paint they may have



Take care of the environment; carry wasted batteries to a collecting center



Until your child is 3 years old, toys and **toy parts must be larger than the child's mouth** to prevent choking

## Additional information:

Emergency services 911

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