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Making Derbyshire Safer

*Seasons Greetings*

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# Stay safe during this festive period. Follow our 12 days of Christmas Top Tips:



## 1st day of Christmas

Check indoor and outdoor Christmas lights conform to the British Standard. Always use a residual current device (safety device that can save lives by instantly switching off power) on outdoor electrical equipment.



## 2nd day of Christmas

Check the battery in your smoke alarm every week and use Christmas as a reminder to clean it and remove dust.



## 3rd day of Christmas

Decorations can burn easily – don't attach them to lights or heaters.



## 4th day of Christmas

Make sure any family and visitors staying for the festive period know what to do in an emergency. Make a fire escape plan.



## 5th day of Christmas

Never overload electrical sockets.



## 6th day of Christmas

Most fires start in the kitchen. Never leave a cooker unattended. The risk of accidents is greater after alcohol is consumed.



## 7th day of Christmas

If you have an open fire use a fireguard and do not store fuel next to the fire.



## 8th day of Christmas

Take the time to check on elderly relatives and neighbours this Christmas – make sure they are fire safe.



## 9th day of Christmas

Make sure cigarettes are completely extinguished before going to bed.



## 10th day of Christmas

Never place candles near your Christmas tree or furnishings and never leave burning candles unattended. Candles, lighters and matches should be kept out of the reach of children.



## 11th day of Christmas

Always switch Christmas lights off and unplug them before you go to bed.



## 12th day of Christmas

If you are planning to celebrate with fireworks, store them in a metal box, read the instructions, never go back to a lit firework and keep a bucket of water nearby.



**“Who will be taking  
YOU home this Christmas?”**



**Do YOU have a designated DRIVER?**

**NEVER DRINK AND DRIVE**

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