


# RestoPros of South Kansas City Shares Friendly Fire Safety Guidelines for Holiday Season

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RestoPros of South Kansas City, a leading restoration services provider, has released comprehensive fire safety recommendations to help homeowners protect their properties during the holiday season, when residential fire incidents typically increase by 30 percent according to the National Fire Protection Association.

The company's safety initiative addresses common holiday fire hazards including decorative lighting, cooking activities, heating equipment, and candle usage. With decades of experience responding to fire damage emergencies, the restoration specialists recognize the importance of preventive measures during this high-risk period.

"Having responded to countless fire damage situations over our 30 years of combined industry experience, we understand that prevention is always preferable to restoration," said Ryan Ouweleen, spokesperson for RestoPros of South Kansas City. "The holiday season brings unique fire risks into homes, from overloaded

electrical circuits to unattended cooking, and we want to help our community stay safe during this festive time."

The safety guidelines emphasize proper maintenance of holiday decorations, including regular inspection of light strings for frayed wires or broken bulbs, keeping live Christmas trees adequately watered, and maintaining a three-foot clearance between heat sources and decorative materials. Kitchen safety remains particularly critical, as cooking fires represent the leading cause of residential fires year-round and spike significantly during holiday gatherings.

Electrical safety considerations include avoiding daisy-chaining power strips, using only lights approved for their intended environment, and turning off all decorative lighting before leaving home or retiring for the evening. The company also stresses the importance of maintaining functional smoke detectors and having an evacuation plan that all household members understand.

Space heater usage requires special attention during colder months, with proper placement away from combustible materials and regular maintenance checks essential for safe operation. Fireplace safety, including annual chimney inspections and proper disposal of ashes, represents another crucial consideration for homeowners.

"While we stand ready to provide water damage restoration and fire damage services whenever needed, our primary goal is helping families avoid these emergencies altogether," added Ouweleen. "Simple precautions can prevent devastating losses and ensure everyone enjoys a safe holiday season."

The timing of this safety initiative reflects national statistics showing that December and January consistently rank among the highest months for residential fire incidents. Candle fires alone peak in December, with holiday decorations involved in approximately 790 home fires annually.

RestoPros of South Kansas City provides comprehensive restoration services throughout the Overland Park area and surrounding communities, including water damage, fire and smoke damage, mold remediation, and storm damage restoration. The company operates around the clock, offering emergency response services and assistance with insurance claims. As an Institute of Inspection Cleaning and Restoration Certification (IICRC) certified provider, the company maintains strict adherence to industry guidelines and safety protocols. The restoration specialists combine technical expertise with a commitment to helping property owners recover from disasters and, when possible, prevent them through education and awareness initiatives.

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