

## **Holiday Decorations**

Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) wishes everyone a Happy Holiday Season!

As the Holiday Season approaches, it is important that we decorate in a safe and prudent manner. It is the policy of Johns Hopkins to prohibit the use of any and all combustible decorations.

Electric lights or electrically operated ornaments should bear the seal of approval of the Factory Mutual Company (F.M.) or Underwriter's Laboratory (U.L.).

All ornaments, decorations, and displays shall be of fire resistant material. You may be asked to supply documentation of this.

Cut trees and live cut decorations are prohibited within buildings of Johns Hopkins.

At no time may decorations conceal or impede access to any safety device or building safety feature, including fire extinguishers, exit signs, fire alarm pull stations, sprinkler system heads and emergency shut off valves for medical gases or utilities. At no time may decorations obstruct or impede egress.

HSE staff may be visiting your area to ensure compliance with the above policy.

For more information and detail, please refer to HSE Policy 027

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If there are any questions, please contact Health, Safety and Environment at 955-5918.