

FMIT Holiday Safety Tips & 2022 Training Schedule

Merry Christmas!

With the holiday season kicking into full gear, I wanted share 10 basic tips to keep your family safe.

1. Inspect electrical decorations for damage before use.

- * Cracked or damaged sockets, loose or bare wires, and loose connections may cause a serious shock or start a fire.

2. Do not overload electrical outlets.

- * Overloaded electrical outlets and faulty wires are a common cause of holiday fires. Avoid overloading outlets and plug only one high-wattage into each outlet at a time.

3. Never connect more than three strings of incandescent lights.

- * More than three strands may not only blow a fuse but can also cause a fire.

1. Keep trees fresh by watering daily.

- * Dry trees are a serious fire hazard.

2. Use battery-operated candles.

- * Candles start almost half of home decoration fires (NFPA).

3. Keep combustibles at least three feet from heat sources.

- * A heat sources that was too close to the decoration was a factor in half of home fires that began with decorations (NFPA).

4. Protect cords from damage.

* To avoid shock or fire hazards, cords should never be pinched by furniture, forced into small spaces such as doors and windows, placed under rugs, located near heat sources, or attached by nails or staples.

5. Check decorations for certification label.

* Decorations not bearing a label from an independent testing laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratories (UL), Canadian Standards Association (CSA), or Intertek (ETL) have not been tested for safety and could be hazardous.

6. Stay in the kitchen when something is cooking.

* Unattended cooking equipment is the leading cause of home cooking fires (NFPA)

7. Turn off, unplug, and extinguish all decorations when going to sleep or leaving the house.

* Unattended candles are the cause of one in five home candle fires. Half of home fire deaths occur between the hours of 11pm and 7am (NFPA).

Safety Training/Webinar Calendar:

Type

Name

Date

Register Link

Employee

Heavy Equipment Safety (Part 2)

December 15, 2021 (10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6674715496220113166>

Management

Fire Department Safety Accreditation

December 15, 2021 (2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8449506483846288910>

Employee

Defensive Driving

January 12, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4770142554098179854>

Management

Police Department Safety Accreditation

January 12, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1850281674399907342>

Employee

Personal Protective Equipment Selection and Use (PPE)

February 9, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1171976458550082318>

Management

Office Only Safety Accreditation

February 9, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6076018220757028622>

Employee

Fall Protection Selection and Use

March 9, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3179463689031892494>

Management

Workplace Violence Prevention and Planning

March 9, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8489729917725332238>

Employee

Chain Saw Safety

April 13, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8602820186199819022>

Management

Lightning Protection for People, Equipment and Buildings

April 13, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3249912697558842638>

Employee

Storm Preparation and Hurricane Response

May 11, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8497704675561196302>

Management

Incident Reporting and Investigation

May 11, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8737863303835433742>

Employee

Hand and Power Tools Are More Dangerous Than You think (Part 1)

June 8, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7502061712237960718>

Management

Safety Performance Measurement Strategies

June 8, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4713474824314857230>

Employee

Hand and Power Tools Are More Dangerous Than You think (Part 2)

July 13, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2311524603228384014>

Management

Developing a Facility/Equipment Inspection Process

July 13, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1230925674962292494>

Employee

Cutting and Welding

August 10, 2022

(10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8846941454380140046>

Management

Behavior Based Safety Program Development

August 10, 2022

(2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6788854698788612878>

Employee

Utility Vehicle and Golf Cart Safety

September 14, 2022 (10-11am)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6539797722910839822>

Management

Training Program Development

September 14, 2022 (2-3pm)

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1647065537308108558>

Additional Resources:

* FMIT Safety Library: (Download over 700 safety documents) <https://insurance.flcities.com/member-dashboard/safety-excellence-initiative-resource-library>

* Previous Webinar Recordings: (View previously recorded webinars) <https://www.gotostage.com/channel/fmit-learning-library>

* Earn a Certificate of Safety Excellence (CSE): (Conduct a Self-Evaluation)

<https://insurance.flcities.com/services/risk-and-safety-management/florida-municipal-safety-excellence-initiative>

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