

# INCIDENT INVESTIGATION ASSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

## Candles or Candle Accessories

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FOLLOW-UP REQUESTED

HAZARD ANALYSIS  SECT 15

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### ASSIGNMENT MESSAGE:

1. If the incident involved a candle trim ring, candle burner, potpourri burner, or some other candle accessory besides a typical holder or container, contact the victim to determine whether any part of the incident candle and/or accessory is still available. If so, conduct an on-site investigation and try to collect the candle and accessory, or any remaining parts of the candle and/or accessory. If not, try to collect an identical candle and/or accessory.

If the incident did not involve a candle ring or some other unusual candle accessory, conduct a telephone interview.

2. Please investigate the attached incident in accordance with the guideline "Candle Fires and Fire Hazards." Focus attention on (1) any unusual behavior exhibited by the candle, (2) victim interaction with candle, and (3) use characteristics, especially as regards to candle accessories.

Verify incident scenario. Provide complete product identification including: **manufacturer, brand, number of wicks, date manufactured, place of purchase, date of purchase, model/serial numbers, cost, etc.** (There is an increase in candles with multiple wicks and incidents with multiple wick candles. ASTM is trying to figure out if multiple wicks effect the possibility of an incident.)

Please use Guideline 121 for Candles as well as Guideline 129 for Smoke Alarms, Sprinklers, and Fire Extinguishers.

**Please include all primary and all backup contacts in the distribution of the completed IDI.**

----- Area below will be completed in Data Systems -----

Person(s) to Contact:

Guidelines: Appendix 121 – Candle Fires and Fire Hazards  
Appendix 129 – Smoke Alarms, Sprinklers, and Fire Extinguishers

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Assigned to:

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