

When the weather turns cold, it can bring a chill into our homes. Portable space heaters have become a popular way to supplement central heating or heat one room. If you plan to use portable electric space heaters, make sure to follow these tips and recommendations:

## **HEATER CHECKLIST**

- Purchase a heater with the seal of an independent testing laboratory.
- Weep the heater at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn, including people.
- Choose a heater with a thermostat and overheat protection.
- **)))** Place the heater on a solid, flat surface.
- Make sure your heater has an auto shut-off to turn the heater off if it tips over.
- Never block an exit.
- ))) Keep children away from the space heater.
- ))) Plug the heater directly into the wall outlet. Never use an extension cord.
- >>> Space heaters should be turned off and unplugged when you leave the room or go to bed.

# Types of electric space heaters

#### Oil or water-filled radiator

Heated oil or water travels through the heater.

#### Fan-forced heater

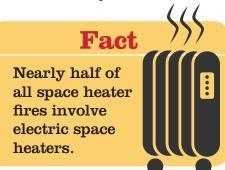
A fan blows warm air over metal coils.

### Ceramic heater

Air is warmed over a ceramic heating element.

## **Infrared heaters**

Heat is created by infrared bulbs.





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