

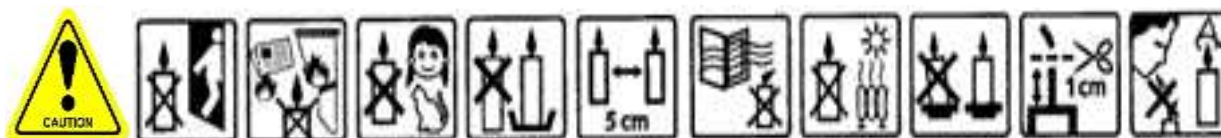
Fire Safety Guidelines for Using Candles when Writing Pysanky



Everything you need to make beautiful pysanky the traditional way

Safety should be considered first and foremost when writing pysanky using a candle-heated kistka. Comply with all candle safety rules of the *National Candle Association*¹, and use the following precautions and practices:

- ☑ supervise children at all times
- ☑ instruct participants on the correct use of tools²
- ☑ use stable, heat-resistant, aluminum foil-covered surface³
- ☑ use kistka tools treated with patented fire inhibitor
- ☑ use sturdy, stable candle holders
- ☑ prevent drafts to candles
- ☑ limit the exposure of brass tip of kistka to candle flame
- ☑ always keep burning candles within sight
- ☑ extinguish all candles when not in use
- ☑ trim candlewicks each time before burning
- ☑ maintain safe candle height
- ☑ avoid shared candles to reduce moving or jostling
- ☑ use a snuffer to extinguish candles
- ☑ avoid tea lights as the source of heat for beeswax
- ☑ use a taper-style candle (this type is best-suited for safety)
- ☑ keep all matches and lighters out of sight
- ☑ minimize the number and size of flammable items on the working surface



¹ <http://candles.org/fire-safety-candles/candle-safety-rules/> Headquartered in Washington, DC, the National Candle Association is widely recognized as the leading technical authority on the safe use of candles

² The traditional kistka tool used for writing pysanky has been used for many generations. When used correctly and following guidelines for using candles, it is safe to use

³ Aluminum foil will not catch fire according to email from Canada Safety Council dated April 26, 2018