Candle Care & Burning Tips

Candle Safety

- Never leave a burning candle unattended.
- Place the candle on a flat, heat-resistant surface.
- Use an enclosed container for added safety.
- Keep out of reach of children and pets; supervise if children are using candles.
- Avoid burning candles near flammable materials (e.g., curtains, furniture).
- Protect candles from drafts and direct sunlight when burning.
- Ensure the flame does not touch the sides of the container to avoid damage.
- Use containers to catch melted wax and prevent spills.
- Extinguish and recycle the candle when 15mm of wax remains; do not let it burn to the surface.
- Candle wicks are lead-free.

Lighting Your Candle

- Adhere to safety tips above.
- Avoid wind, fans, or air conditioners blowing directly on the candle.
- Use a protective container if necessary.
- Trim the wick before lighting, light at the base of the wick.
- Use an extended match, gas lighter, or wax lighting stick to avoid burning fingers.

Candle Wick Care

- Trim wick to about 7mm for clean burning.
- Avoid long wicks to prevent smoking; avoid short wicks to ensure proper melting.
- Trim the wick as needed to maintain a 25mm high flame.
- Remove carbon buildup (wick balls) and debris from the candle.
- If the wick is too short, continue burning to recover or remove some melted wax.
- Keep the wick centred using a tool if it wanders.
- Drown the flame in the wax pool to extinguish, preventing smouldering and wick deterioration.

Candle Burn Time

- Candles are designed to burn at an optimum rate for fragrance and efficiency.
- On the first burn, allow the candle to burn long enough to melt the entire surface.
- Larger candles may need 3-4 hours to melt the surface on the first burn.
- Scented candles release fragrance from the melted wax pool, not the wick.

Votive Candles

- Use appropriate containers for votive candles to form the wax pool.
- Do not burn votive candles as free-standing.

Tealight Candles

- Place tealights in appropriate containers or on heat-resistant surfaces.
- Do not move burning tealights.
- Light tealights at the base of the wick to aid wax melting.
- Straighten the wick if bent.

Final Word

- Enjoy your candles safely and contact Candle Makers for more information or advice.