

Chanuka: Candles: Obligation for Women To Light

Women, like men, are required to light Chanuka candles or have them lit for them.

NOTE It was not traditionally customary for women and girls to light when men were present. The custom is that in a house in which the husband lights Chanuka candles, the wife does not also light. However, a wife is required to light if her husband is not present, and girls (above 12 years old) are required to light if no men are present.