SHABBAT: CANDLES: WHO LIGHTS

Shabbat: Candles: One Person per Home Lights

Shabbat candles should be lit only by one person per home. Priority order: wife; then husband; then children. Girls should not be encouraged to light *Shabbat* candles except when no parent can.

NOTE Single people should light *Shabbat* candles in their homes if they will eat there.

Shabbat: Candles: Have Others in Mind When Lighting

Whoever is lighting the *Shabbat* candles should light for all other people who will be eating dinner in that home. So a host/hostess where you will eat should have you in mind when he or she lights *Shabbat* candles. However, it is customary for any married woman to light candles wherever she will eat. Unmarried women do not need to light their own candles (as long as the host/hostess has them in mind when lighting), but they are not prohibited from doing so.

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