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Christmas Checklist

Week 1: November 16 to 22

- Update holiday card mailing lists.
- Take advantage of early holiday sales to start your Christmas shopping.
- Buy or make holiday cards.

Week 2: November 23 to 29

- After Thanksgiving, start writing holiday cards.
- Complete gift lists.
- Begin crafting stockings and ornaments.

Week 3: November 30 to December 6

- Purchase wrapping supplies.
- Pick out tree or take reusable tree out of storage.
- Restock bar.
- Make wreaths and garlands.
- Take Christmas lights out of storage.
- Start thinking about your Christmas menu, and invite family or friends to holiday dinner if you haven't already.

Week 4: December 7 to 13

- Unpack ornaments.
- Decorate and light tree.
- Hang finished wreaths and garlands.
- Buy stamps and mail cards.
- Make or buy candles for holiday table.
- Create a gift-wrapping station and begin wrapping presents.
- Make a gingerbread house.
- Make and freeze cookie dough.
- Bake cookies if you're participating in a cookie swap.

Week 5: December 14 to 20

- Mail gifts to family and friends early in the week
- Polish silver.
- Plan Christmas table settings.
- Leave holiday tips for service providers.
- Iron holiday linens.
- Order roast, turkey, or goose from the butcher.

Week 6: December 21 to 25

- Buy nonperishables for the holiday meal early in the week.
- Buy and wrap last-minute gifts.
- Make centerpieces and arrangements.

- On the morning of Christmas Eve, buy perishables such as greens, fresh bread, and seafood for the holiday meal.
- Leave cookies for Santa on Christmas Eve.
- Stuff stockings.