

CAUTION: IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

READ AND FOLLOW ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

- Do not use seasonal products outdoors unless marked suitable for indoor and outdoor use. When products are used in outdoor applications, connect the product to a Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlet. If one is not provided, contact a qualified electrician for proper installation.
- This seasonal use product is not intended for permanent installation or use.
- **When decorating trees, use miniature light bulb strings or LED light strings only. "C" size bulbs are not recommended.**
- Do not mount or place near gas or electric heaters, fireplaces, candles or other similar sources of heat.
- Do not secure the wiring of the product with staples or nails, or place on sharp hooks or nails.
- Unplug the product when leaving the house, when retiring for the night, or if left unattended.
- **CAUTION:** This is an electrical product – not a toy! To avoid risk of fire, burns, personal injury and electric shock, it should not be played with or placed where small children can reach it.
- Do not let lamps rest on the supply cord or any wire.
- Do not use this product for other than its intended use.
- Do not hang ornaments or other objects from cord, wire or light string.
- Do not close doors or windows on the product or extension cords as this may damage the wire insulation.
- Never operate this product if the power cord or plug is damaged.
- Use only manufacturer specified replacement bulbs.
- Read and follow all instructions that are on the product or provided with the product.

USE AND CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- When storing the product, carefully remove the product from wherever it is placed, including trees, branches, or bushes, to avoid any undue strain or stress on the product conductors, connections, and wires.
- When not in use, store neatly in a cool, dry location protected from sunlight.

Branch Shaping Instructions

Branch shaping is best performed during assembly procedure but can be done, if preferred, when tree assembly is completed.

PRE-LIT TREE NOTE: If your tree is pre-lit, and not a PowerConnect™ tree, it is recommended that the light plugs between sections be connected prior to or at the same time as shaping is performed.

1. Trees are shipped from the factory with the tips of each branch compressed to the center (Figure 1).
Branches should be shaped one row at a time. Make sure that all of the branches of the row to be shaped have been moved to their lowered position.
2. Starting with the bottom row of the tree bottom section, pull the two branch wing tips out away from center to about a 45° angle (Figure 2).
3. The smaller individual tips should then be spread out separately (Figure 3). Figure 4 shows a fully shaped branch with wing tips.
4. Follow this same sequence as you work around the bottom row of branches. When completed, move up to the next branch row and repeat.
5. As you work your way up branch rows, the wing tip style branches will diminish, but branches will otherwise shape similarly. Figure 5 shows a fully shaped branch without wing tips.
6. The top section of the tree will have *wrapped* branches in place of hinged branches. Gently lower the branches and shape in a similar manner as the branches in previous sections (Figure 6).
7. Upon completion of the assembly and shaping procedures, walk around the tree and perform additional shaping to fill any obvious holes or openings.

