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Fire At Woodfield Mall Caused By Burning Christmas Decorations

SCHAUMBURG, Ill. (STNG) -- Christmas decorations inside Woodfield Shopping Center caught fire and officials believe an electrical problem sparked the blaze, which caused up to \$15,000 in damage Monday morning in northwest suburban Schaumburg.

Police were called to the scene of a fire just before 6 a.m. at the Woodfield Shopping Center on Golf Road in Schaumburg, according to Schaumburg Police Lt. Dennis Carroll. Ornaments hanging in the mall just outside the Macy's store caught fire, he said.

"Hanging ornaments had some electrical issues and they were smoldering," said Carroll, who said that debris then fell to the floor, setting some floor level Christmas trees afire.

The fire occurred when the mall was not open, at a time when only security officers and possibly some workers were in their shops early, said Carroll.

The fire was extinguished and the smoke ventilated delaying the opening of the mall "about an hour," Carroll said.

The fire caused between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in damage, Carroll said.

No one was injured, Carroll said.

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