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Get Ready for the Holidays!



Fireplace Safety

Now that the weather is turning colder, many of us will be

using our fireplaces as much for atmosphere as for warmth.

A fire in a fireplace, no matter how pretty it is, can become a serious safety hazard if not tended to properly.

To help prevent fireplace related damage and injury, please consider the following.

- ❖ Have your chimney and fire place inspected and cleaned every year *before* seasonal use. They should be properly vented and free of blockages. Check your local yellow pages or ask your neighbors and friends for referrals for a reputable Chimney Sweep service.
 - ❖ Before lighting any fire, make sure to open the flue and remove anything from the fireplace area that might ignite, such as newspapers, magazines, decorations, carpets, clothing, etc.
 - ❖ The fireplace flue should remain open while the fire is still smoldering. Do not close the flue until you are certain the fire is out.
- ❖ Your fireplace should have a screen or tempered glass doors to keep sparks from jumping out. For safety, make sure these are used.
 - ❖ Burn only wood. Avoid burning trash, paper or charcoal or using a hibachi in your fireplace. These may create toxic smoke and carbon monoxide.
 - ❖ Never use gasoline, charcoal or other fuels to light a fire, or keep any flammable fuels near a fire. It is very dangerous and vapors could cause explosions.
 - ❖ Never leave a fire unattended. Make sure the fire is out *completely* before leaving the house or going to sleep.
 - ❖ Every home should have a fire extinguisher and smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. When is the last time you changed the batteries on your detectors or tested them?

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Protect Your Family—Carbon Monoxide Facts

Know the Whole Story

Carbon Monoxide [CO] occurs anytime a fuel is burned. Potential sources include gas or oil furnaces, water heaters, space heaters, clothes dryers, barbecue grills, fireplaces, wood-burning stoves, gas ovens, generators, and car exhaust fumes.

CO poisoning is the leading cause of accidental poisoning deaths in America. (Centers for Disease Control)

Every year more than 10,000 people die or seek medical attention due to CO poisoning from home-related products. (Consumer Product Safety Commission)

More than 2/3 of Americans use gas, wood, kerosene or another fuel as their home's major heat source. 65% of CO poisoning deaths from consumer products are due to heating systems.


Only 27% of homes in America have carbon monoxide alarms, according to the Hardware/Home Center Research Industry.

An idling vehicle in an attached garage, even with the garage door opened, can produce concentrated amounts of CO that can enter your home through the garage door or nearby windows.

CO poisoning deaths from portable generators have doubled in the past two years; many of these deaths occurred in the winter months and during power outages.

A poorly maintained gas stove can give off twice the amount of CO than one in good working order.

Prevent a Tragedy

- ❖ Install at least one battery-powered CO alarm or AC-powered unit with battery backup on each level of your home and near sleeping areas.
- ❖ Do not use charcoal or gas grills inside or operate outdoors near a window where CO fumes could seep in through a window.
- ❖ Check all carbon monoxide alarms in your home. Do they use the most accurate sensing technology? Do they need new batteries? 
- ❖ Replace CO alarms every five to seven years in order to benefit from the latest technology upgrades.
- ❖ Have a licensed professional inspect heating systems and other fuel-burning appliances annually.
- ❖ Install fuel-burning appliances properly and operate according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- ❖ Keep chimneys clear of animal nests, leaves and residue to ensure proper venting. Have all fireplaces cleaned and inspected annually.
- ❖ Do not block or seal shut the exhaust flues or ducts used by water heaters, ranges and clothes dryers.
- ❖ Do not leave your car running in an attached garage or carport even with the door open.
- ❖ Do not use your oven or stove to heat your home

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Ensure A Happy, Healthy and Safe Holiday

The Holiday Season should be a time of great joy and celebration.

Be Safe Plus LLC wants to remind you to be alert for safety issues in your homes and offices. Select a gift for your loved ones that shows you care about their protection and wellbeing. The following are some Safety guidelines for the holiday season

Ladder Security

Falls are the leading cause of home injuries. Always wear appropriate shoes and stand at or below the highest safe standing level on a ladder.

Electrical Caution

Do not overload extension cords or electrical outlets, Replace any lights that are damaged or fraying, and unplug all holiday lights when you go to sleep or leave home.

Candle Advice

Do not light or keep candles lit near decorations or trees. Blow out all candles when leaving a room or sleeping. Better yet, use Realistic Flameless, Battery Operated Candles for optimal candle safety.

Holiday Cooking Safety

To prevent kitchen fires and burns, stay in the kitchen while cooking. Use oven mitts and hot



pads and do not wear loose-fitting clothing that might catch fire while cooking. Turn pot handles inward on the stove to prevent small children from

reaching and pulling them down and keep hot items and sharp objects out of the reach of children.

Toy & Gift Safeguards

Be careful when choosing toys for infants and small children that might be a choking hazard. Also be aware that toys & gifts meant for older children might have small parts that might be a hazard if the younger children play with them.

Tree Trimming Care

If purchasing live cut trees or greens, make sure that they are fresh. If they are brownish or break easily, it could be a fire risk.



Place your tree in a non-tip sturdy stand filled with water. Make sure the live trees are supplied with water at all times.

Keep the tree at least 3 feet away from any heat source. To avoid any tripping hazards, extension cords should be placed against a wall. Never overload an extension cord.

Family Fire Drill

Schedule a Family Safety Session to review and practice your fire escape plan.

Holiday Parties

If giving or attending a Holiday Party, make sure there are designated drivers available of people who are not drinking to drive other guests home, drinking and driving is a dangerous combination.



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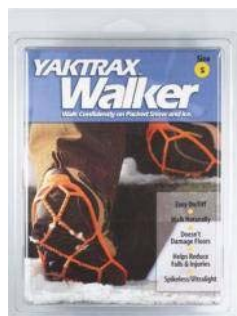
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