



Thoughtful Fireplace Safety Tips



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Have your chimney professionally inspected once a year.



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Make sure your smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, screens, tools, hoods, and dampers are in working order



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Use a metal container to remove ashes and avoid placing ashes on any flammable surface.



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Make sure the mantel around the hearth is clear of debris, decorations, and combustible materials.



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Have a family fire escape plan and practice family fire drills.



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Never start a fire with flammable liquids or burn trash, debris, and cardboard boxes. Avoid using soft, moist wood which accelerates the buildup of creosote. Use seasoned firewood instead.