IMPORTANT!

DO NOT
LEAVE FIREPLACE
ASH AND EMBER
CONTAINERS INSIDE
THE HOME.

WET THE REMENANTS
AND STORE IN A LID
COVERED METAL
CONTAINER
OUTSIDE AND AWAY
FROM ANY STRUCTURE

Place and maintain
smoke and CO alarms
on all levels of your
home

A FIRE SAFETY MESSAGE FROM
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FIREPLACE AND
CHIMNEY SAFETY

FIRE SAFETY FACTS
According to national statistics more than a third of Americans still prefer the warm, cozy heat of a wood burning fireplace.

However, statistics show they account for nearly the same amount of residential fires in our state’s rural areas each year.*

*National Fire Incident Reporting data

DO NOT use lighter fluid or flammable liquid to light a fire.

Use only seasoned wood stacked in cords away from any structure.

Check that the damper is open before lighting the fire. Failure to do so can result in an accumulation of smoke and carbon monoxide within the home.

Do not close the damper before the fire has died out and the embers are cold.

Use a tempered glass fireplace screen to prevent popping sparks and flying embers from landing on the floor.

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