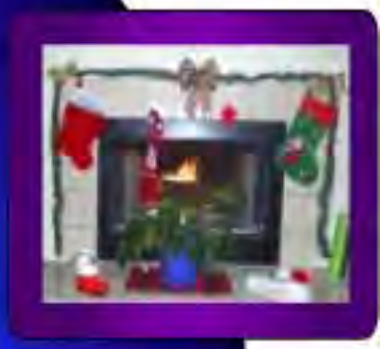
Fireplace Safety



- Have fireplace and chimney checked and cleaned professionally each year.
- Be sure the flue is open before lighting a fire.
- Make sure fireplace safety screens and doors are closed when the fire is lit.
- "Fire salts" produce colored flames when tossed on wood fires. These items contain heavy metals that can be very dangerous to children or pets if ingested. Do not inhale the smoke from these products.
- Do not burn evergreens or wreaths in the fireplace, as they can flare out of control.
- Flash fires can occur when gift wrapping or papers are burned in fireplaces. Gift wrappings can also contain dangerous metals that when burned can be toxic if inhaled.

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