

Fireplace Safety

- Have your chimney annually cleaned, and inspected for damage and obstructions.
- Do Not use flammable liquids to start the fire.
- Never burn charcoal in your fireplace. Burning charcoal gives off deadly carbon monoxide.
- Use a fire safety screen in front of fireplace for protection of ashes and sparks.
- Do not leave fire or smoldering ashes unattended.
- **Never**, dispose of ashes in a trash can or paper bag. Use a metal container and place ashes outside away from building.
- Do not close damper until you are certain the fire is out.
- Be careful handling partially burned wood. The wood may still be smoldering and cause a serious burn.

Please call the Gilroy Fire Department at 846-0372 for more information.

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