RECOMMENDATIONS FOR WOOD BURNING EQUIPMENT:

- HAVE YOUR CHIMNEY INSPECTED BEFORE AND AFTER THE HEATING SEASON TO INSPECT FOR ANY HAZZARDS OR ISSUES.
- DO NOT USE PAPER PRODUCTS TO IGNITE YOUR FIRE; PAPER PRODUCTS CONTAIN DYES THAT WILL ACT AS A CATYLIST FOR BUILDING CREOSOTE.
- WOOD MOISTURE SHOULD BE WITHIN 15-20% MOISTURE CONTENT OVER DRIED WOOD CAUSES PROBLEMS DUE TO THE SPEED OF BURN.
- HARDWOOD BURNS LONGER AND IS BETTER FOR COLD NIGHTS BECAUSE IT DOESN'T HAVE
 TO BE RELOADED AS OFTEN. THE BTU'S FOR SOFTWOOD VS. HARDWOOD ARE SIMILAR.
- IF YOU ARE BURNING SOFTWOOD IT IS IMPORTANT TO LET THE WOOD BURN DOWN COMPLETELY BEFORE RELOADING. ***DO NOT OVERLOAD***
- IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE A FLUE TEMPERATURE GAUGE TO MONITOR THE LEVEL OF HEAT BUILDING IN THE CHIMNEY OR STACK. <u>NOTE:</u> THE FLASH POINT FOR CREOSOTE IS 900°F; SMOLDERING POINT IS 400°F.
- IF YOU NOTICE SMOKE BACKING INTO THE HOME, DISCONTINUE USE AND CALL US TO REINSPECT.
- CREOSOTE IS NOT ONLY DANGEROUS DUE TO ITS FLAMABILITY, BUT DUE TO THE ACIDITY OF CREOSOTE IT CAN ACTUALLY EAT MORTAR JOINTS OR STEEL LINERS.
- MAKE SURE THAT THE FOLLOWING ARE PRESENT IN YOUR HOME AND IN GOOD WORKING ORDER: **SMOKE DETECTOR, CO2 DETECTOR & FIRE EXTINGUISHER**.



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