



Increasing Fire Safety and Fire Prevention in Nishnawbe Aski Nation TIPS FOR USING YOUR WOODSTOVE SAFELY



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PROPERLY SEASONED & DRY WOOD



HOW TO SEASON YOUR WOOD



TREATED WOOD

- DRIFTWOOD
- TRASH
- ARTIFICIAL LOGS
- X
- COMBUSTIBLE FLUIDS

ANY PRODUCT CONTAINING ZINC, SULFUR, LEAD, OR PLASTICS



BURNING ANY OF THESE PRODUCTS MAY RESULT IN TOXIC FUMES AND/OR A CHIMNEY FIRE

BE AWARE...

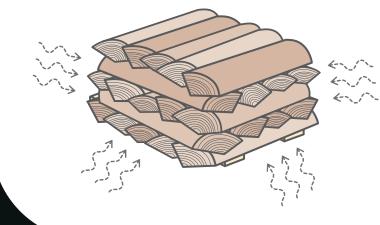
- Read your woodstove Owner's Manual for safe operation
- Don't over fill the stove, practice safe burn techniques
- Signs of a good burn
 Less smoke the better
- Have a working carbon monoxide alarm in your home





STACK THE WOOD IN A WAY THAT ALLOWS AIR TO CIRCULATE

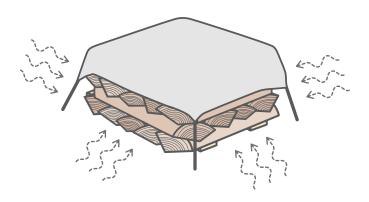
• Keep the wood off of the ground and a distance away from buildings



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COVER THE WOOD TO PROTECT THE WOOD FROM RAIN OR SNOW

- Ensure that the cover does not rest directly on the wood
- Keep the sides open to allow for air circulation





ALLOW THE WOOD TO DRY FOR THE PROPER AMOUNT OF TIME



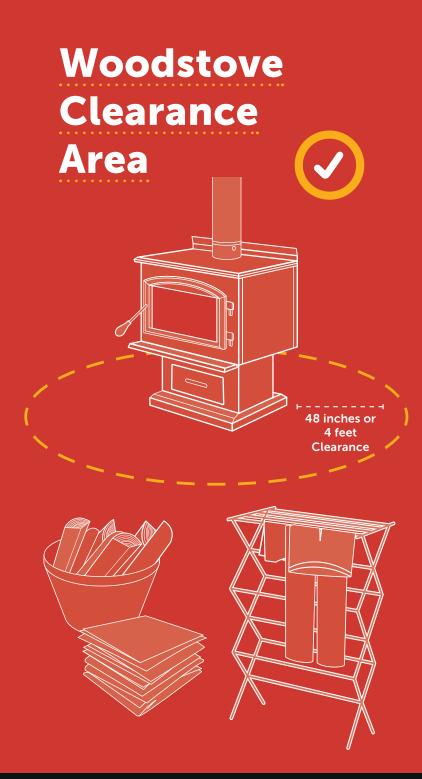


FOR SOFTWOODS E.G.: PINE, SPRUCE FOR HARDWOODS E.G.: POPLAR, BIRCH

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YOU WILL KNOW THAT YOUR WOOD IS DRY WHEN IT FEELS LIGHTER AND SOUNDS HOLLOW WHEN STRUCK AGAINST ANOTHER PIECE OF WOOD





TO ENSURE SAFE OPERATION OF YOUR WOODSTOVE PLEASE ALLOW 4 FEET OF CLEARANCE FROM ANY FLAMMABLE OBJECTS INCLUDING:



FIREWOOD CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR PAPER PRODUCTS & CARDBOARD

WOODSTOVE MAINTENANCE GUIDE

TIPS FOR USING YOUR WOODSTOVE SAFELY

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HOW TO CLEAN YOUR WOODSTOVE



STEPS TO CLEAN YOUR WOODSTOVE

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MAKE SURE THE STOVE IS COMPLETELY COOL

• This will ensure that you do not burn yourself during the cleaning process

CLEAN OUT THE FIRE BOX

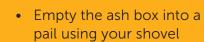
- Using the ash bucket and shovel from your fire set, scoop out as much of the ash as you can
- You should be able to see the fire brick inside the stove when finished
- Inspect the inside of the stove to see if anything requires repair and if so have this fixed immediately

EMPTY YOUR INDOOR CHIMNEY

• Disassemble the chimney and remove any debris inside. Debris left in the chimney can become a fire hazard

- Mark the chimney lines and screw holes to make reassembly easier
- Use a wire brush to completely clean the chimney

CLEAN OUT THE ASH BOX



• Dispose as desired

CLEAN THE ASHTRAY

• Using the brush from the fire set, brush ashes from the tray into a pail

* PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR WOOD STOVE IS SERVICED OR INSPECTED BY A WETT CERTIFIED PROFESSIONAL AT LEAST ONCE PER YEAR (OR AFTER SEASONAL RE-INSTALLATION).

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