

Safe Handling of Firewood, Generators & Heating Equipment

Key Safety Points:

- **Firewood Storage:** Store firewood at least 30 feet away from buildings to minimize fire risk. Keep stacks covered and dry to prevent mold and pests.
- **Heating Equipment Maintenance:** Regularly clean and maintain heating equipment, including chimneys and flues, to prevent fires and carbon monoxide buildup.
- **Generator Safety:** Operate generators outdoors in a well-ventilated area, at least 20 feet away from structures. Never run a generator inside enclosed spaces, including barns and garages.
- **Electrical Safety:** Use properly rated extension cords and avoid overloading circuits. Check for frayed or damaged cords before use.
- **Fire Safety:** Keep a fire extinguisher nearby when using wood stoves, space heaters, or generators. Have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors installed in living areas and barns.