

Wellfleet Fire Department



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CHIMINEAS AND OUTDOOR FIREPLACES



The Wellfleet Fire Department allows the use of chimineas and outdoor fireplaces provided the following conditions are met:

- The fire and/or smoke must not pose a hazard to any property.
- The smoke must not create a nuisance or health hazard in the neighborhood.
- **Any screens provided by the manufacturer must be in place to prevent the embers from igniting nearby combustibles as hot embers routinely are sent into the air from these fireplaces.**
- **A hose or fire extinguisher capable of extinguishing the fire must be within 25 feet of the chiminea or outdoor fireplace.**
- Only ordinary firewood may be burned in the chiminea or outside fireplace; no preservative-treated wood, plywood, leaves, hazardous waste, or chemicals may be burned at any time.
- The chiminea or outdoor fireplace must be on a non-combustible surface and must not be under any type of overhang, roof, or canopy. It must be at least 10 feet from any combustible wall or other structure.
- Common sense must be used (i.e. a competent adult must be in attendance). The hot chiminea should always be considered a hazard to curious children.

If the Fire Department is called to your house for any type of outside fire, we reserve the right to order any fire be extinguished at the fire officer's discretion.