



OUTDOOR FIREPLACE REGULATIONS

All outdoor fireplace installations must be inspected and approved by the Gananoque Fire Service prior to being used.

A one-time permit fee of \$65.00 applies.

Installation

- All fireplaces must be approved by Gananoque Fire Service.
- A minimum distance of 5m shall be provided from any building, structure, property line or roadway.
- No appliance shall be located under a tree or any overhead wires.
- The appliance shall be placed on a non-combustible surface extending beyond the appliance to a dimension equal to the height of the appliance on all sides.
- Openings in any appliance must be completely covered at all times by a suitable metal wire mesh with grid openings of not more than 6mm (¼") in diameter.
- The appliance cannot be operated earlier than sunrise and must be extinguished by no later than 11pm.
- Any alteration or modification to the original approved installation will require the approval of the Fire Department
- Use of the appliance that does not comply with the manufacturer's installation instructions and the requirements of the Fire Department may result in charges under Article 2.6.3.4. of the Ontario Fire Code
- Complaints received by the Fire Department will result in the property owner being asked to extinguish the fire and refrain from using the appliance until an investigation by the Fire Department or other authorities having jurisdiction. (MOE, By-law, etc.)
- Approval of the Fire Department does not override the requirements addressed in the Environmental Protection Act (Ministry of Environment 1-800-267-0974).
- No appliance shall be used when a burn ban or a smog advisory has been issued.

Fire Protection

- Equipment to extinguish the fire (fire extinguisher of suitable size and type, pail of water, garden hose, etc.) shall be readily available and accessible at all times the appliance is in use.
- While burning, the appliance shall be under constant supervision until fully extinguished.

Instructions and Care

- Appliances having cracks or signs of other physical damage or deterioration shall not be used.

Fuel

- Clean, dry, seasoned wood are to be used as fuel. Treated, stained or painted wood, petroleum products, rubbish, grass, plastics, rubber or any other material that may flow, cause excessive heat or smoke are not permitted.