



## GARDINER FIRE DEPARTMENT

### WOODSTOVE INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

**Use this checklist before starting the first fire in your stove to be sure it is safely installed:**

- The stove does not have broken parts or large cracks that make it unsafe to operate.
- The stove is located on a non-combustible floor or an approved floor protection material is placed under the stove.
- Floor protection extends out 18 inches from all side of the stove.
- The stove is spaced at least 36 inches away from combustible material, or as specified for a listed stove.
- If not, properly installed wall protectors are used.
- Stove pipe of 24-gauge metal is used.
- The stove pipe diameter is not reduced between the stove and the chimney flue.
- A damper is installed in the stove pipe near the stove unless one is built into the stove.
- The total length of stove pipe is less than 10 feet.
- There is at least 18 inches between the stove pipe and the ceiling or other combustible material.
- The stove pipe slopes upward toward the chimney and enters the chimney higher than the outlet of the stove fire box.
- The stove pipe enters the chimney horizontally through fireclay thimble with proper clearances.
- The stove pipe does not extend into the chimney flue lining.
- The inside thimble diameter is the same size as the stove pipe for a snug fit or is sealed with furnace cement.
- A double walled ventilated metal thimble is used where the stove pipe goes through an interior wall.
- The stove pipe does not pass through a floor, closet, concealed space or enter the chimney in the attic.
- A UL approved ALL FUEL metal chimney is used where a masonry chimney is not available or practical.
- The chimney is in good repair.
- The chimney flue lining is not blocked.
- The chimney flue lining and the stove pipe are clean.
- A metal container with tight fitting lid is available for ash disposal.
- The company insuring the building has been notified of the installation.
- A smoke detector is installed outside each bedroom area and at the top of the basement stairs.
- A fire extinguisher (with at least 2A:I OB:C-rating) is near the entrance to the room with the stove.

