



Did you know?

Most home fires occur in the winter and peak in January.

Each year in the United States there is more than \$2 billion in property loss due to winter home fires.

Last year in Minnesota, 39 percent of fire deaths occurred in October, November and December.

FREEZE OUT WINTER FIRES

- **Keep all doors and windows that could be used for an escape route clear of snow and ice.**
- **Keep all vents — fireplace, dryer, furnace and oven — clear of snow, ice and debris.**
- **Never use a blow torch to thaw frozen pipes.**
- **Use flashlights, not candles, if you lose power.**
- **Keep anything that can burn at least three feet from heat sources; do not use your oven to heat your home.**



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