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Winter Preparedness Checklist & Guide

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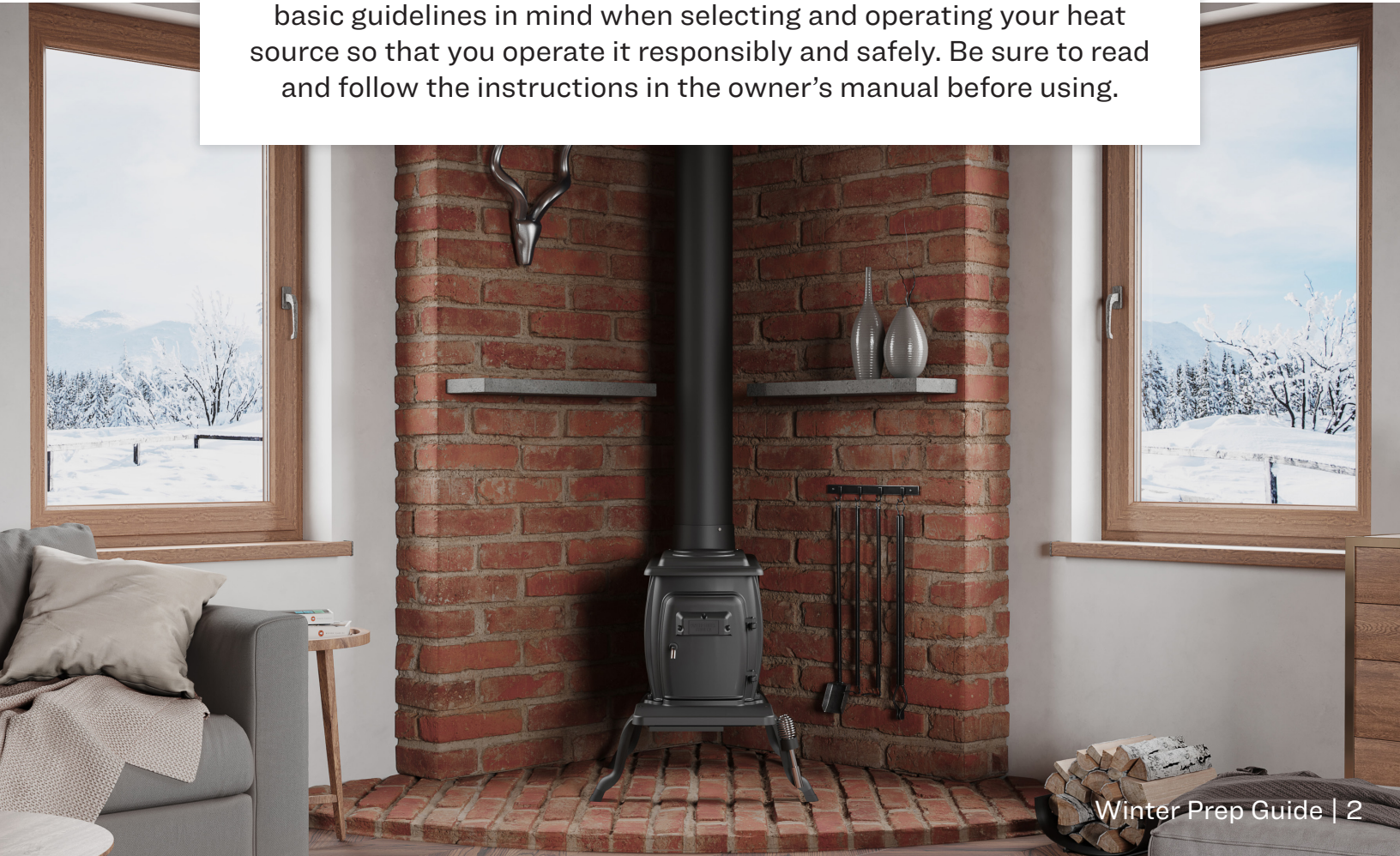
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General Safety Precautions

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Emergency Resources

Winter storms can quickly make daily life challenging, especially if you're caught in them unprepared. With the increasing severity of extreme weather events, including ice storms and interruptions in power we'd like to provide you with a comprehensive resource list and emergency checklist to make you feel more confident in such times.

In winter, keep this information handy in case of an emergency

FEMA

www.fema.gov
800-621-3362

Food Safety

www.fsis.usda.gov
888-674-6854

Poison Control

www.poison.org
800-222-1222

CDC Emergency Response

<https://emergency.cdc.gov>
800-232-4636

In an emergency, call 911 for assistance

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Winter Prep Reminders

Preparing ahead of time with these items can help ensure you and your family stay safe and warm during winter emergencies.



Wood Stove

Ensure you have sufficient wood and check the stove's functionality.



Coal Stove

Check your coal supply and check the stove's functionality.



Propane Heater

Check your propane supply and ensure the heater is safe for indoor use.



Kerosene Heater

Stock up on kerosene and verify the heater is in good working order.



Emergency Kit Checklist

Food

- ☐ Manual can opener for food
- ☐ 7-day supply of food per person
- ☐ Emergency cooking supplies
- ☐ Napkins or paper towels
- ☐ Disposable plates, cups and utensils

Water

- ☐ At least 1 gallon of water per person, per day for both drinking and sanitation (FEMA recommends a 5-day supply)
- ☐ Water purification methods (e.g. tablets or gravity filter)

First Aid

- ☐ Fully stocked first aid kit
- ☐ Additional prescriptions or essential medicine
- ☐ Backup power for medications that need to be refrigerated
- ☐ List of current medications and allergies
- ☐ Fire Extinguisher
- ☐ Extra cash in case ATMs are down

Tools

- ☐ Snow shovel
- ☐ Rock salt or sand
- ☐ Multi-tool or pocket knife
- ☐ Generator
- ☐ Extra batteries for essential devices

Communication

- ☐ Battery-powered AM/FM Radio
- ☐ Cell phone + solar charger
- ☐ Car or emergency charger for mobile devices
- ☐ Small notepad and pencils
- ☐ Games and activities that don't require electricity

Lighting

- ☐ Flashlights and extra batteries
- ☐ Battery powered lanterns
- ☐ Candles and matches

Shelter

- ☐ Insulation (windows, doors)
- ☐ Heavy Duty Tarps
- ☐ Weather Stripping

Clothing & Sanitation

- ☐ Spare cloth and shoes for each person
- ☐ At least one blanket per person
- ☐ Extra hats, gloves or mittens, scarves and thick socks
- ☐ Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- ☐ Personal, feminine care items
- ☐ Soaps and shampoos, disinfectant wipes
- ☐ Trash bags

Vehicle Preparedness

- ☐ Full gas tank
- ☐ Blankets, extra warm clothing
- ☐ Non perishable snacks
- ☐ Spare tire or tire patch kit
- ☐ Tire chains or snow tires
- ☐ Windshield scraper
- ☐ Emergency roadside flares or triangles



Heating Safety Tips

Inspect and Maintain Heating Appliances:

Before winter arrives, ensure all heating appliances (e.g., wood stoves, kerosene heaters) are inspected and in good working condition. Clean chimneys and flues to prevent creosote buildup.

Ventilation Awareness:

During a big snowfall, periodically check to be sure your direct vent termination cap is clear of any snow for proper ventilation. Never use outdoor heating devices indoors.

Fire Safety Precautions:

Keep flammable materials away from heat sources. Use sturdy screens around fireplaces and wood stoves to prevent sparks. Ensure you have a working fire extinguisher nearby.

Emergency Heat Source:

Have multiple heat sources available in case one fails. Ensure you have sufficient fuel (e.g., wood, kerosene, propane) to last through the storm period.

Stay Informed & Prepared:

Monitor weather forecasts and be aware of changing conditions. Have an emergency kit ready with blankets, extra clothing, and alternative heating methods in case of power outages or heating system failures.

By following these safety tips, you can help ensure your home is prepared for winter storms and minimize risks associated with heating during cold weather.

Comparing Heating Solutions

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	Wood Stove	Coal Stove	Kerosene Heater	Propane Heater
Uses	Reliable heat and cooking capability even during power outages	Reliable heat and cooking capability even during power outages	Ideal for immediate and portable heat in small but vented spaces	Ideal for immediate and portable heat in small but vented spaces
Requires Electricity	No	No	No	No
Fuel Storage	Keep in a dry, area off the ground and covered to avoid excessive moisture	Keep in a dry place away from moisture and direct sunlight	Keep in sealed approved containers in a well-vented area away from sunlight and heat sources	Keep the tank in a well-ventilated outdoor area, upright, and away from heat sources
Safety Considerations	Fire safety, risk of chimney fires, proper installation	Fire safety, risk of chimney fires, proper installation.	Proper fuel storage and ventilation to prevent fumes	Gas leaks, ventilation to prevent carbon monoxide buildup
Installation	Requires a chimney & clearance from combustibles	Requires a chimney & clearance from combustibles	Ventilation requirements, safe fuel storage	Ventilation requirements, gas line installation
Ease of Use	Must manually start the fire and maintain it with more fuel	Must manually start the fire and maintain it with more fuel	A simple ON/OFF switch and push button ignition	A simple ON/OFF switch and push button ignition
Maintenance	Cleaning chimney, ash removal, periodic inspections	Cleaning chimney, ash removal, periodic inspections	Periodic cleaning and fuel filter checks	Check gas lines, ventilation and burner cleaning

Local Emergency Information

Fire Department

Primary

Station Number:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Secondary

Station Number:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Police Department

Primary

Station Number:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Secondary

Station Number:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Hospital

Primary

Hospital Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Secondary

Hospital Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Veterinarian

Primary

Clinic Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Secondary

Clinic Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Distance from home:

Family Medication Information

Medical Allergies

Medication Name	Reaction to Medication

Current Medications

Medication Name	Doctors Name	Dosage/Day	Needs Refrigeration
			Yes/No
			Yes/No
			Yes/No
			Yes/No
			Yes/No

Additional Notes

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