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Carbon monoxide prevention tips for homeowners

Use these tips to reduce the risk of carbon monoxide accumulation in your home:

- Never run a vehicle in an enclosed garage
- Use generators outdoors only, far from windows, doors, and vents.
- Check vents, flue pipes and chimneys periodically for damage, gaps, or blockages.
- After insulating or remodeling a home, make sure appliances and heating equipment still have adequate ventilation.
- Keep the chimney damper or flue open when the fireplace is used.
- Make sure the clothes dryer is properly vented to the outside. Keep the dryer vent free of lint and debris.
- Use space heaters and other fuel-burning appliances properly. Don't use barbecue grills indoors. Never use the range or oven as a heater.
- Hire only licensed contractors to inspect and repair faulty appliances, piping, and wiring.
- Have a qualified professional thoroughly inspect and clean your fuel-fired heating equipment and water heater at least once a year.
- Install carbon monoxide detectors. Position one detector in the hallway near every separate sleeping area of your home and operate it according to manufacturers' instructions.

Any questions regarding Carbon Monoxide please refer to my office at 860.793.0221 Ext. 7172 or if you feel its an emergency dial 911 for the fire department.