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## FIREPLACE INSPECTION

قا **Inspection Record card or summary permit sheet** shall be available and shall remain on the job site until the final inspection has been made.

قا Call (952) 461-4777 to schedule your final inspection. For same day inspection, please call between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.

قا Every fireplace shall be vented to the exterior.

### قا **Factory built fireplaces**

- **Manufacturers installation manual** must be attached to each fireplace and the fireplace installed as per manufacturer.
- **Labels** are required on all parts of the fireplace and chimney.
- **Spacers and supports** on the fireplace are in place, unbent, and all combustible and insulation materials are spaced away from the fireplace.
- **Hearth extension** installed per manufacturer.
- **Combustible floor installation** requires a noncombustible safety strip placed on the floor beneath the joint between the hearth extension and fireplace.
- **Insulation** used near the fireplace is covered with sheetrock and proper shielding provided in the attic.
- **Chimney** must be provided with clearances to combustibles as per manufacturer.

### قا **Gas Piping**

- Must have 25# air test for 1/2 hour on gas line, homeowner or contractor responsible for test equipment.
- Copper tubing (Type L, K or ACR), iron, galvanized or black steel with threaded fittings or welded pipe.
- Branch lines not connected to appliances must be valved and plugged.

- Check gas lines are not bent, strained or kinked.
- Joints need to be brazed, not soldered. Must use couplings for reducers.
- Strap all gas lines every 6' with copper straps.
- Shutoffs for appliances outside of appliance and within 3 feet.
- Must have drip-T on gas line.

## ف Masonry Fireplaces

- **Masonry chimney** passageways having two or more flues must be separated by masonry not less than 4" thick bounded into the masonry wall of the chimney.
- **Combustible materials** must not be placed within 2" of the fireplace, smoke chamber or chimney walls on interior masonry installations.
- **Combustible materials** must not be placed within 6" of the fireplace opening.
- **Combustible materials** placed within 12" of the fireplace opening must not project more than 1/8" for each 1" clearance from such opening.
- **Combustible wood forms** must be removed from non-combustible hearth slabs.
- **Fireplace openings** less than 6 square feet, must have hearth extensions a minimum of 16" in front of, and at least 8" beyond each side of the fireplace opening. Openings greater than 6 square feet, must have hearth extensions a minimum of 20" in front of, and at least 12" beyond each side of the fireplace opening.