For more information or in case of an emergency, contact your local fire department at:

(Place the Telephone Number Here)

Keep Your Home and Children Safe from Fire
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Fire Safety Tips
from the South Carolina Department of Social Services

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**WOOD STOVES/FIREPLACES**

**DO**
- check monthly for damaged or clogged pipes and check your chimney annually.
- follow instructions carefully when installing and maintaining stoves.
- put cooled ashes in a tightly sealed metal container (metal trash can with lid.)

**DO NOT**
- use green wood, artificial logs or trash.
- keep objects that can easily burn or explode, such as spray cans or household cleaning products, within three feet of stove or fireplace.
- put ashes in a cardboard box or paper bag.
- start fires with liquids which will burn easily, such as kerosene, gasoline or lighter fluid.

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**OIL/KEROSENE HEATERS**

**DO**
- use only K-1 Kerosene.
- use only in a well ventilated room.
- use only safety approved heaters.

**DO NOT**
- fill your heater with gasoline or camp stove fuel, both will explode easily.
- put objects that can easily burn or explode within three feet of the heater.
- keep heaters in easy reach of small children.

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**ELECTRIC SPACE HEATERS**

**DO**
- keep items that easily catch fire at least three feet away from heater.
- buy a heater with a switch that automatically shuts off the power if the heater falls over.
- check cords on appliances; replace if frayed or broken.
- dry or store objects on top of your heater.
- place extension cords under rugs.
- let children operate heaters or play near them.