



# ShelterPride®

Narragansett Bay Insurance

## Fire Prevention & Safety

**According to the U.S. Fire Administration, there are approximately 250,000 one- and two-family home fires each year, causing \$5.5B in property loss**

Securing comprehensive homeowners insurance will help replace items lost in a fire and can assist with the rebuilding of your home. However, at NBIC we want our policyholders to avoid the trauma of a house fire all together, and offer the following precautions to keep your home and loved ones safe.

### Smoke and Fire Alarms

- UL approved smoke and carbon monoxide alarms should be installed on each level of your home and in every bedroom
- Replace batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide alarms
- Inspect and clean dust from the covers of your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Review your fire escape plan with your family



### Candles

- Never leave burning candles unattended
- Only burn candles while under constant adult supervision
- Place burning candles away from drafts and vents
- Place candles on secure furniture out of reach of children and pets



### Wood, Pellet and Gas Stoves

- Before purchasing a wood, pellet or gas stove check with your local fire department and/or building code officials to inquire about local ordinances and to see whether or not a permit is necessary before you install a stove
- Wood, pellet or gas stoves should be professionally installed
- Store firewood at least 30 feet away from your home
- Be sure your chimney is lined
- Have a certified chimney sweep inspect and clean the flue (liner) and check the fireplace damper
- Do not have more than one heating device in a single flue
- Keep at least one dry-powder operated, ABC-type fire extinguisher in the home at all times
- Remove clutter which may have accumulated on or near the stove or fireplace
- Be sure chimney bricks and mortar are in good condition



Visit our website [www.nbic.com](http://www.nbic.com) for more information on fire prevention and safety.



## ShelterPride® A value added service to homeowners

Through Narragansett Bay Insurance's ShelterPride® home safety program, homeowners are able to identify and correct hazards that could cause property damage or injury to a family member. With ShelterPride®, your insureds have the right amount of insurance and all the credits they deserve.