

D'Iberville Fire Department Safety Tips

Space Heater Safety Tips:

- Always make sure that your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working.
- Never use fuel burning appliances without proper ventilation.
- Be sure your space heater is in good working condition. All space heaters need frequent check ups and cleaning.
- Use only the proper fuel for each heater
- Store kerosene, gasoline and other flammable liquids outside the home at all times.
- Use an approved safety can for storing flammable liquids.
- Maintain a minimum of - 3 feet – clearance from walls and other combustible materials in all directions around a space heater.
- Never leave children unsupervised alone in a room with a space heater.
- Keep young children away from space heaters.
- If you use an electric space heater, be sure your house wiring is adequate. Never use extension cords for space heaters. Use an approved power strip with a built in circuit breaker to prevent overloading.
- Never cover a heaters cord with carpeting or furniture.
- Avoid using electric space heaters in the bathroom.
- When refilling a flammable liquid fueled heater, avoid overfilling it.
- Never fill a flammable liquid fueled heater while it is burning.
- Turn off your heater or turn it on low before going to bed.

