

8 December 2025

Attention: Griffin Bush
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Re: Inspection of Chimney and Fireplace

Per your request, we have conducted a WETT Site basic inspection of the fireplace at the above address on 5 December 2025

Results:

1. The appliance is a site-built masonry fireplace insert connected to a masonry chimney structure.
2. The chimney is unlined which is typical in this vintage of home. The requirement for a liner (stainless steel, firebrick or clay tile) was included in the building code after this home was constructed. As building code is not retroactive, a liner is recommended but not required. Without a liner, it is important to clean the chimney at least every 30-40 uses and inspect it annually. With this being done, the chimney can be considered functional.
3. Both the fireplace and chimney appeared to be in good condition as could be observed during the inspection. There is no indication of significant damage or deterioration to the fireplace or chimney that would make it unsuitable for use as could be observed during the inspection.
4. Proper clearances to combustibles have been observed for the fireplace facing, mantle and hearth extension at the time of the inspection.
5. Based on this information and with regular scheduled maintenance in the future, the appliance can be considered functional.

As with any wood burning appliance, you should observe safe usage techniques, including checking the damper is open before lighting a fire, not using too much firewood or logs that are too large for the unit, keep loose combustibles at a safe distance, and not leave the fireplace unattended for long periods and never leave children unattended with the fireplace in use. You should also follow these guidelines stated by the Toronto Fire Department:

- Have a professional inspect and clean your chimney at least once a year.
- Burn only materials appropriate for a fireplace.
- Never burn trash or paper - burning paper can fly out your chimney.
- Put ashes in metal containers and never store them in your home.

Note: Neither our company nor any other contractor are "Authorities having Jurisdiction". Fire or building inspectors, such as in the Office of the Fire Marshal have this authority and we have no authority to contravene or contradict this authority.

Sincerely,
Blair Morris, WETT #13463