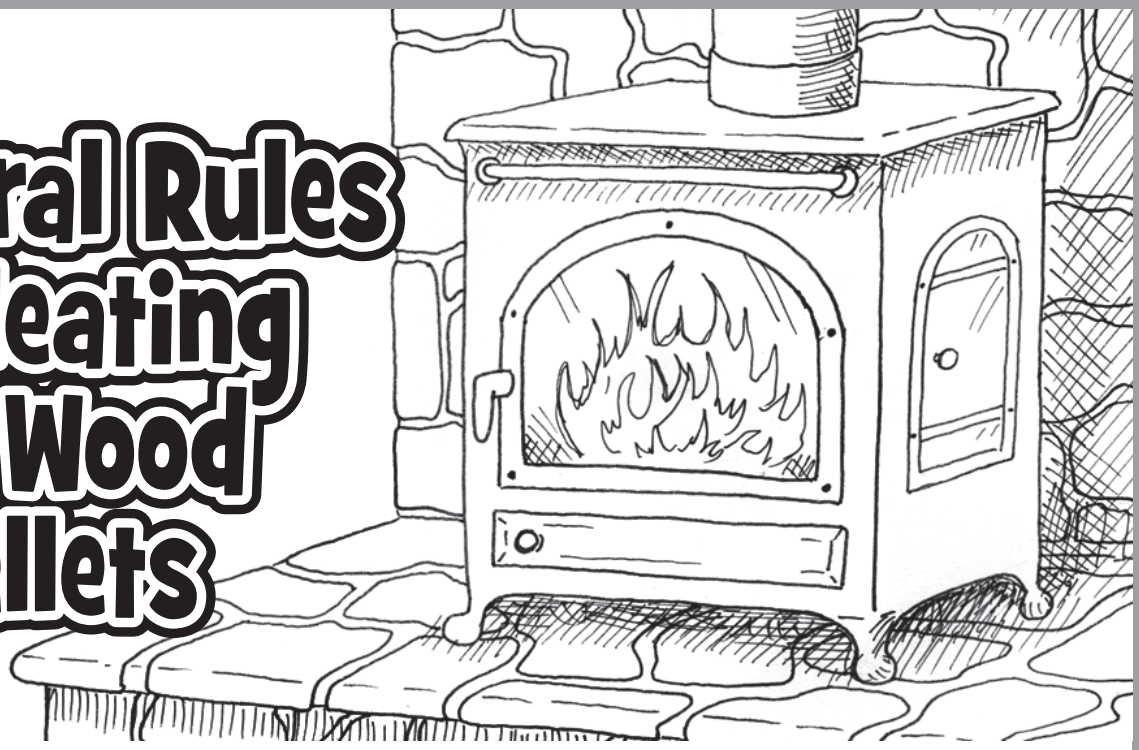
General Rules for Heating with Wood or Pellets



1. Have installation done by a professional, if possible.
2. Make sure your heating equipment is allowed in your community.
3. Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from your fireplace or wood stove.
4. Have your chimney, fireplace, or wood stove inspected and cleaned every fall just before heating season.
5. Burn only dry, well-seasoned wood that has been split, stacked, and allowed to dry for 12 months.
6. Have a sturdy screen on a fireplace, and allow ashes to cool before disposing of them in a metal container.
7. Install carbon monoxide alarms in your home.

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