

# **Carbon Monoxide**

**Over 10,000  
incidents  
every year.**

**60-70%  
occur in homes.**

# Carbon Monoxide

(often referred to as CO)

It is produced by common household appliances that burn fuel such as gas, oil, propane, kerosene, wood, or charcoal.

These appliances include:

- Furnaces
- Fuel-burning space heaters
- Barbecue grills
- Cooking ranges
- Water heaters
- Fireplaces
- Portable generators
- Wood-burning stoves

## Working Together

You and fuel safety experts are critical to reducing CO safety risks in your home.

If appliances aren't kept in good working order or if they're used in closed or confined spaces, then carbon monoxide can build up to dangerous levels.

### CO Safety Checklist

- Have a certified fuels technician inspect and maintain your gas or oil furnace equipment annually.
- To ensure a technician is registered, call 1-877-682-TSSA (8772) for confirmation.
- Check that outside furnace vents are not blocked.
- Install a CO alarm (on every floor level).
- Never use a fuel-burning appliance or device in an enclosed space.



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