



### **Fire Installation Information**

It has become quite popular to utilize many of our designs as fire features. We appreciate how attractive these installations are but would like to offer a few cautions and suggestions.

Our cast stone products are very durable and have been formulated to withstand freeze and thaw cycles associated with outdoor weather. As we have experimented with fire applications we have found that when the material is subjected to the extreme heat of actual wood burning fire the pieces will form cracks. It is for this reason that we do not recommend using cast stone planters for fire pits.

There is another application where our products have performed well, the natural gas fueled fire feature. In these installations a gas line is made to sit in the bowl and dispense flame for aesthetic purposes. In this use we advise that the pipeline be kept 3 inches from the surface of the Stoneworks piece and that the flame itself be directed up and away from the stone surface. It is also suggested to keep the BTU output low, again to prevent heat from "baking" the stone.

When these guidelines are followed many of our customers have had beautiful results utilizing cast stone pieces as a fire feature. Because we cast pieces to order it is usually desirable to modify the item as it is being made. This sometimes means casting the piece with a larger hole, to accommodate a gas line.

Because we cannot control the actual installation and conditions of use for fire installations, our 10-year warranty does not apply to such applications.

Sincerely,

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President