

## #9 Fireplaces

Fireplaces are popular woodburning appliances in Canada. Many people find that a fireplace enhances the beauty of a room, and they enjoy using it when entertaining or sharing a family evening at home.

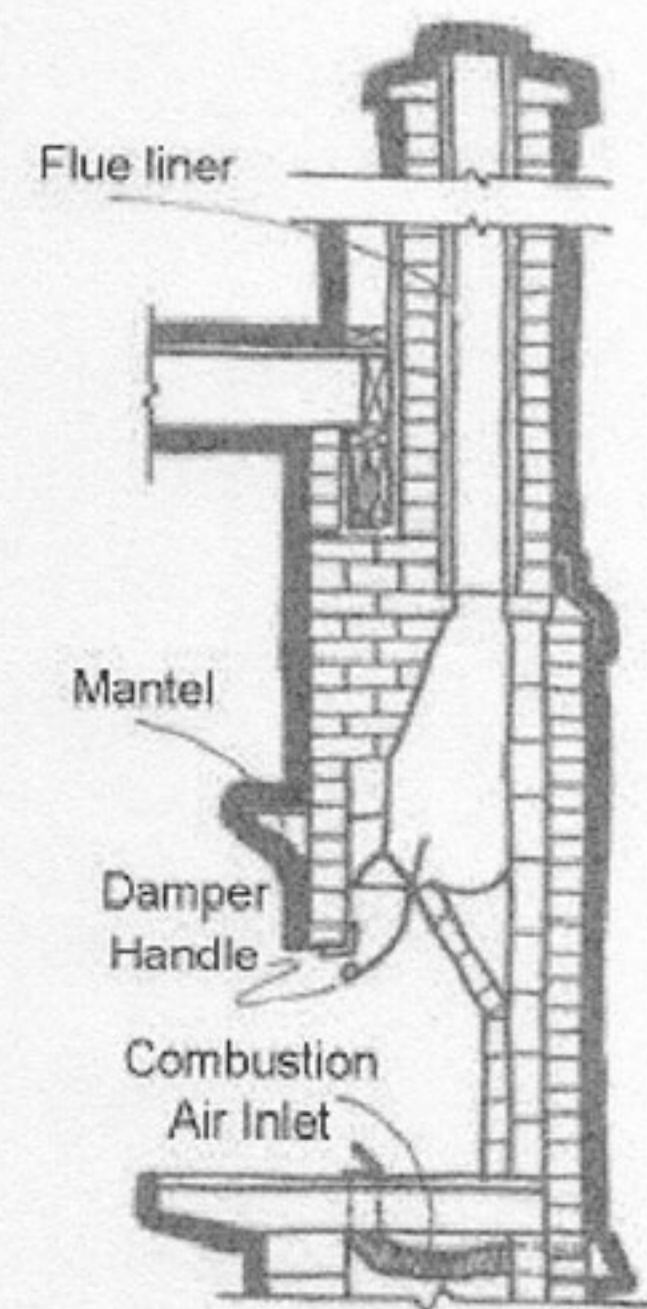
But a fireplace can only be truly enjoyed if it's properly installed, operated and maintained so that it is safe. Whether you have a masonry (brick or stone) or factory-built fireplace, there are a number of things you can do to keep your home fires burning safely.

### AN EQUIPMENT GLOSSARY

#### Traditional Masonry Fireplace

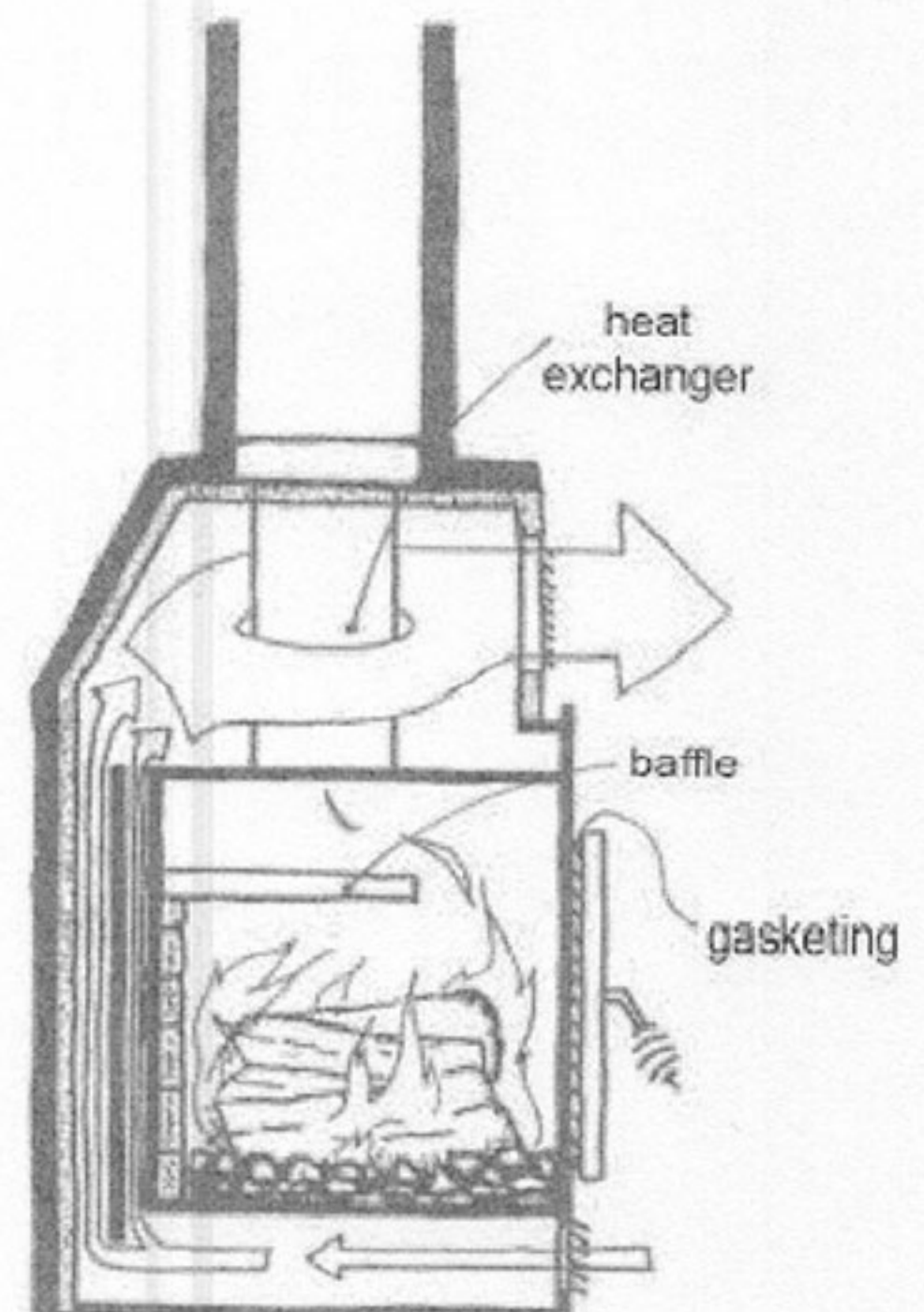
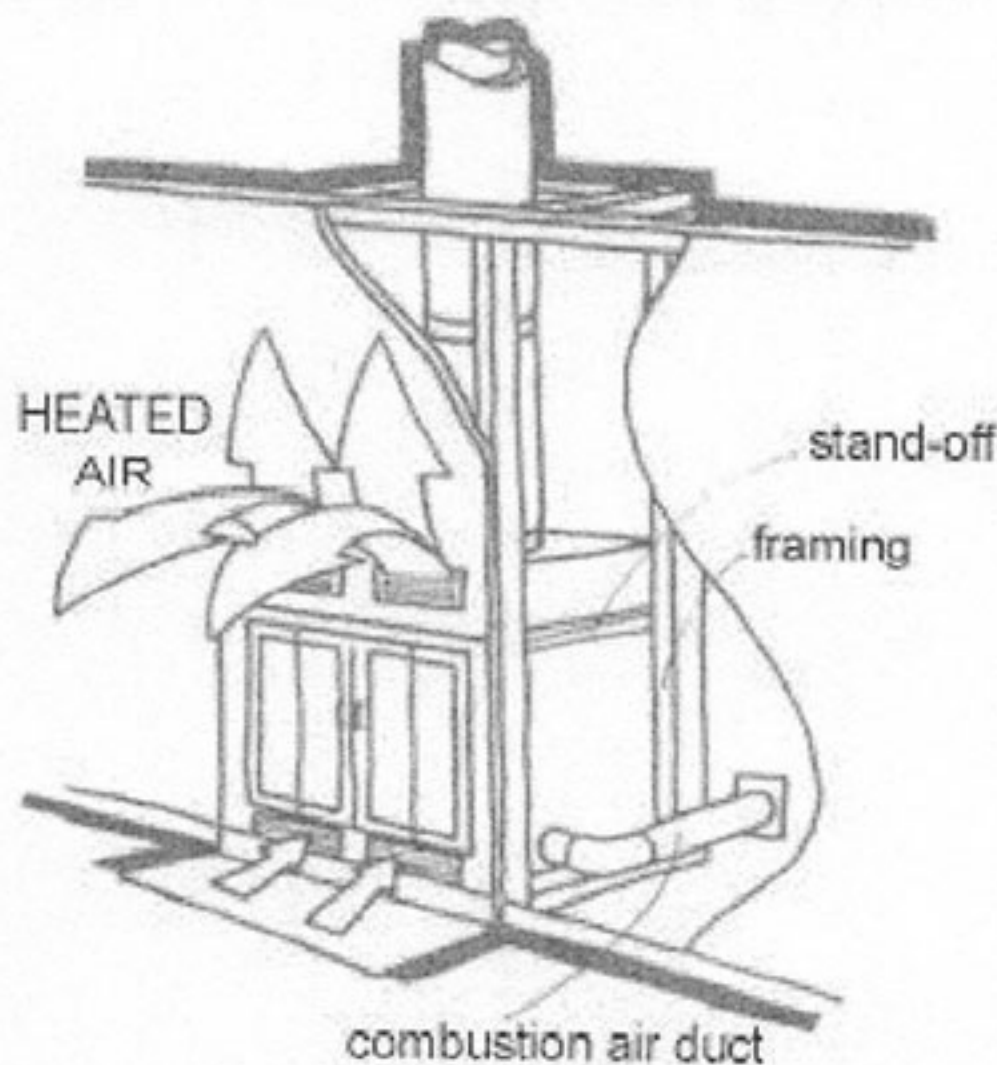
A fireplace built on site using brick or stone. In addition to radiating out into the room, heat from the fire is absorbed by the masonry. To take advantage of this stored heat, the fireplace should be built within the house rather than on an exterior wall.

Many people alter traditional masonry fireplaces by adding glass doors or installing fireplace inserts. If you are considering such alterations, you should consult a WETT certified professional or a certified masonry professional to be sure the alteration does not compromise the safety of the fireplace.



A traditional masonry fireplace

A conventional factory-built fireplace



A high-efficiency factory-built fireplace





