

FIREPLACE REPLACEMENT, GAS AND WOOD STOVE AND INSERT INSTALLATION

1. The original fireplaces at Chinquapin are reaching the end of their useful life. Homeowners are encouraged to replace these wood-burning fireplaces with gas or inserts or freestanding gas or wood stoves. The EPA standards for wood-burning in the Tahoe Basin are becoming more stringent. Homeowners are encouraged to look at cleaner and safer-burning alternatives such as natural gas.
2. The replacement of an existing fireplace with an approved EPA fireplace; or with a wood or gas insert; or with a gas log installation; or with a freestanding wood or gas stove requires approval by the CHOA ARC and Board of Directors.
3. Homeowners are required to submit a request to the ARC with the appropriate detail of the scope of work. The ARC will conduct a fast review of the project and work with the Homeowner to expedite the process as quickly as possible. The use of vetted contractors will assist with this process; please contact the CHOA General Manager or ARC Chair for more information.
4. All fireplace replacement or retrofit projects require the proper permitting from Placer County and require a licensed, insured California contractor to install.