

Starting a fire in a fireplace or stove can often be a frustrating experience if the wood does not ignite rapidly. Here are a few "keep in mind" pointers to make fire-building as easy as possible:

- Be sure the damper is open fully. It is often desirable to crack open a nearby window or door on well-insulated and weathertight homes.
- Use an adequate amount of finely split dry kindling wood, mixed with shredded paper or shavings for