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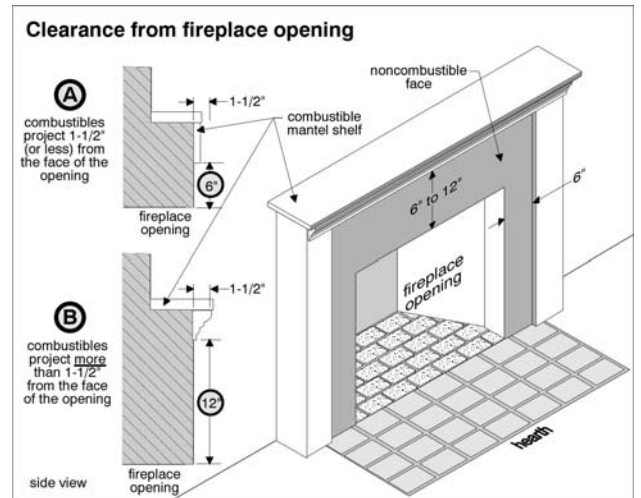
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FIREPLACE INFORMATION

In general, clearances between the fireplace opening and any combustible materials around the opening should meet the guidelines shown in the illustration.

The specific requirements in the province of Ontario are;

- No combustible materials within 150 mm of the fireplace opening.
- If the mantle extends more than 38 mm the mantle must be at least 300 mm above the fireplace opening.



Various options regarding hearth sizes are shown in these two illustrations.

In the province of Ontario, the size of hearth for a non elevated firebox is;

- 400 mm (minimum) in front of the fireplace opening.
- 200 mm (minimum) to each side of the fireplace opening

If the firebox is elevated the hearth requirements are as follows;

- For an elevation between 150 and 300 mm the hearth must extend 450 mm in front of the fireplace opening.
- For an elevation over 300 mm an additional distance of 25 mm for each 50 mm increase in height is required.
- Hearth extensions to the sides are not affected

