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The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) has spent time looking at firepit considerations and have developed the following guidelines to be adhered to when requesting ARC Review:

1. Fire pit or solo type stoves should be a minimum of 25 feet from surrounding structures
2. Fire pit should be located with consideration of surrounding homes as not to interfere with privacy
Use hours restricted to same hours as hot tub use.
3. In purchasing a fire pit, always buy the fire screen for additional protection. Also, if you are building a fire pit, purchase a screen that fits your enclosure.
4. When possible, place your pit on concrete, dirt, or gravel. Avoid placing it on or around grass or leaves. In constructing a pit, build a non-flammable base of concrete, dirt or gravel. This will decrease the chance of having materials outside the pit catch on fire. It will also increase the ambience of your fire pit.
5. If you are building a seating ring to surround the fire pit, ensure the seats are not flammable. Popular, aesthetically pleasing seating includes concrete, stucco, and metal seats. In addition, ensure your immovable seats are positioned properly for enjoyment without danger: 4 feet is the optimal distance for fire safety.
6. Make sure the fire is under constant supervision. Always have a fire extinguisher or a water hose nearby. Keep a first aid kit nearby for any accidental burns.
7. Put out the fire completely before leaving the pit unattended. Make sure you've completely extinguished the embers.
8. Do not light a fire in windy conditions. One stray spark can cause a large fire. If a fire warning is implemented in your area, do not burn. The dry conditions in the area could influence rampant forest or brush fires based on a single ember or spark.
9. Never allow a child to start a fire or to play near the fire. Children should always be closely supervised around a fire pit.
10. Always use dry wood and kindling to light your fire. Never use accelerants, garbage, or garden clippings to light a fire. Also, never throw any materials besides seasoned woods onto your fire.
11. **All fire pits and portable Solo type stoves must be approved prior to install by the Architectural Committee.**

If you currently have a firepit or Solo type stove on your property, please make sure that it fits into the above guidelines and fill out an ARC Request Form to get it approved.