

Facts on Dryer Vent Cleaning

- The yearly national fire loss for clothes dryer fires in structures is estimated at \$99 million from an estimated 15,600 fires, with an average of approximately 400 injuries and 15 fatalities
- NFIRS data show that 80% of clothes dryer fires in structures occur in residential buildings
- New home construction trends place clothes dryers and washing machines in more hazardous locations away from outside walls such as bedrooms, second-floor hallways, bathrooms, and kitchens
- Clean dryer vents use less energy & shorten the drying cycle time, translating into lower utility bills
- Having to run multiple cycles because of a blocked dryer vent drastically reduces the number of cycles the appliance will complete in its lifetime

Signs of a blocked dryer vent

- Dryer takes more than 1 cycle to dry clothes
- Clothes are unusually hot to the touch after 1 cycle
- Dryer is hot to the touch
- Lint accumulation behind & around dryer

Tools To Clean A Dryer Vent

