



To properly dispose of ashes or coals, we recommend the following:

1. If possible, allow ashes and coals to cool in the area where you had the fire for several days. Wood burning fireplaces and stoves are designed to contain ashes safely. However, charcoal grills, when left unattended, must be moved away from combustibles including deck areas.
2. When it is time to dispose of the ashes, transfer them to a metal container with a lid and wet them down. **DO NOT** use galvanized containers as hot coals on galvanized metal will release noxious fumes.
3. Keep the container outside your home and away from any combustibles until the ashes can be safely dumped into a garden or on the ground. **DO NOT** store your metal ash container on your deck, in your garage, or in any location where heat can transfer from the hot ashes to nearby flammable items.
4. **DO NOT** place ashes in cardboard boxes, paper or plastic bags, or any combustible container that could ignite. **DO NOT** dump ashes into plastic garbage or refuse containers.