

## Fireplay Basic Safety Tips

Environment including flooring, surfaces, curtains, ceilings, etc. should be inspected and assessed for flammability.

Precautions such as covers such as wool blankets, cotton (wet) towels, fire extinguishers, foil and other materials can be used to cover flammable areas.

Do not play in the wind or have fans on at the same time you have a live flame.

Secure any flammables or fuels that you are not actually using (controlling).

Test equipment on yourself or on a non-flammable surface before using it on others.

When experimenting for the first time, go very slow and use very small areas of skin. For sensitive skin, test a small area and wait until the next day to assess.

After testing, wait a bit to see what the reaction might be. Some people (people who get sunburned easily ) might have a more intense or delayed reaction to fire.

Long hair should be tied up and/or covered with a wet cotton cloth.

**DO NOT COMBINE BONDAGE & FIRE PLAY**

Everyone involved from top, bottom to spotter should have on natural fibers; rayon/polyester blends can melt into the skin if heated. No clothing is the best option for the bottom.

70% alcohol is recommended for fuel. Always store fuel in a closed glass or metal container on a stable surface away from the live flame. Fire toys or implements should be kept on a separate (controlled) surface.

Always make sure wicks are drip free. Do not every allow fuel to pool in any area. If it happens, clean it up and start over. Pooling fuel is one of the major causes of burns in fire play.

If used for impact, make sure that your fuel is not splashing off of the toy onto the bottom, furniture or floor as this could cause unintentional burning/fire. Never dip a recently used fire toy back into fuel without making sure it is completely out.

Do not play with fire by yourself if you are inexperienced.

It is important to have a spotter– someone who will be ready with a wet towel and fire extinguisher.

As the Top, be prepared to use your body to smother any flames if need be along with your appropriately clothed spotter.

When playing with fire, do not use substances. Always be completely present mentally and emotionally. No really. Fire is an amazing element but it needs to be respected, watched and given your full attention at all times.