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Hint and Tip Number 24: Dangers Of Dirty Dryer Vents

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Dryer vents are the #1 cause of household fires. Protect your family and home from danger.

Clogging Dryer Exhaust Lines Are The #1 Cause of Accidental Fires In Homes

Lint is highly flammable and can pose a severe fire hazard when the dryer vents are not cleaned regularly. A plugged vent can trap heat and impede the airflow of the dryer. Regular lint trap and vent cleaning allows the heat and air flow to move through the dryer properly.



Lint can gather around the actual motor itself and that insulates the motor, which can cause heat to build up, and that's where ignition can be seen.

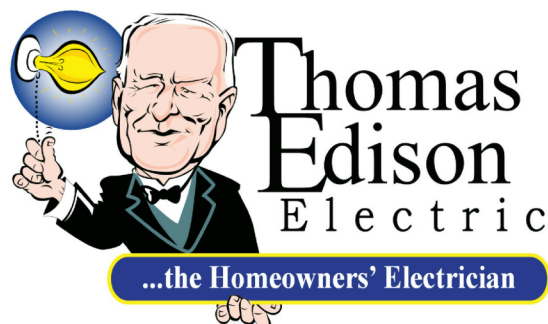
Vent Cleaning Can Also Prevent Carbon Monoxide Poisoning

It's necessary to have your dryer vent cleaned and properly installed in order to keep your family and home safe. Having your dryer vents cleaned by a professional team removes clogs and debris (including lint, dryer sheets, clothing, and nests) to restore proper ventilation of harmful carbon monoxide gases and prevent poisoning.

Five Signs It's Time To Clean Your Dryer Vent

- ⚠ Drying time for clothes takes longer and longer
- ⚠ Your clothing and the outside of the dryer are very hot
- ⚠ You notice a burning smell
- ⚠ The vent hood flap doesn't open properly
- ⚠ It's been longer than a year since your last cleaning

Contact the experts at Thomas Edison Electric for more information on this subject. Stay safe.



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