



RestoPros of Southern Maine Releases Homeowner Checklist for the First 24 Hours After a House Fire

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RestoPros of Southern Maine has published a comprehensive homeowner checklist that guides families through the critical first day following a residential fire. The resource walks homeowners step by step through the immediate actions that protect safety, support an insurance claim, and set the stage for a successful recovery.

The checklist opens with the most important guidance on what to do in the first 24 hours after a house fire, beginning with waiting for the fire department to clear the home before re-entering. From there, the resource outlines contacting the insurance company to start a claim, documenting visible damage with photographs, securing the property against further loss, and arranging temporary housing for family members, including children, older adults, and pets.

The guide reflects the growing need among Maine families for clear, practical information during a chaotic and emotional period. House fires often leave homeowners uncertain about which steps matter most and in what order, and the checklist is designed to reduce that confusion when every decision feels urgent.

Beyond the initial response, the resource positions RestoPros of Southern Maine as a full service team that coordinates the technical work of recovery from day one. That work includes smoke remediation, water extraction from firefighting efforts, and deodorization to address lingering odor. The company's technicians are IICRC-certified and follow structured safety and quality protocols throughout each project.

"The hours after a fire are overwhelming, and families are often unsure where to begin," said Michael Bodkin, General Manager of RestoPros of Southern Maine. "The checklist exists to give homeowners a clear sequence to follow, starting with safety and moving through the practical steps that protect both their property and their insurance claim."

RestoPros of Southern Maine provides fire and smoke damage restoration in Southern Maine through a five-step process that begins with an immediate response at any hour, followed by on-site inspection and damage assessment, emergency board-up and water extraction, soot removal and odor elimination, and finally cleanup and preparation for reconstruction. The company also documents all damage and communicates directly with insurance providers to support claims.

"Fire damage restoration Portland Maine residents rely on depends on acting quickly, because soot and residual moisture continue to cause harm long after the flames are out," Bodkin added. "Coordinating smoke remediation, water removal, and deodorization early makes the full recovery far more manageable."

The company provides house fire cleanup Southern Maine homeowners can access around the clock, serving communities that include Auburn, Biddeford, Brunswick, Lewiston, and Portland. Services extend beyond fire recovery to water damage restoration, mold remediation, storm damage restoration, and full restoration and rebuild work.

RestoPros of Southern Maine encourages families to save the company's 24/7 emergency line now, before a disaster strikes, so help is a single call away when time matters most.

RestoPros of Southern Maine is a professional restoration provider specializing in water and fire restoration for residential and commercial clients. With more than 30 years of combined industry experience and a team of IICRC-certified, insured professionals, the company delivers emergency services across Southern Maine.

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RestoPros of Southern Maine is locally owned and ready 24/7 for water, fire, storm, or mold emergencies. Our certified team protects your property, guides you through every step, and works with your insurance to restore your home and peace of mind.

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