Fire Damage Restoration Process

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A fire can be devastating, but the real work begins once the fire has been extinguished. **Smoke and fire damage can make your home or business a danger.** While there are steps you can take yourself after a fire one of the most important ones is bringing in a professional, and that's Utah Flood Cleanup. We have the training and experience to inspect your home or business and complete the restoration process.

First Steps Following Fire Damage Restoration

After a fire, safety should be your number one priority. The fire may have weakened the structure of the building including walls, the foundation, and the ceiling. *This means your first step should be to ask if it is safe to go back into.* Depending on the severity of the fire, you may not be able to reenter your home or office.

Next, be sure to contact any family member or employee that wasn't in the structure to let them know you are okay and what has happened. You will also need to call your insurance company. *The fire department will fill out a fire report, which will include the damage to your home and other information about the severity of the fire.* You will need this for your insurance company.



Once you have been told you can go back inside, you will need to do the following:

- Secure your office or home This is typically required by your insurance company, and it will help stop looters.
- Decide how to clean the interior You will want to determine the types of damage. This can include smoke, ash, and soot. Extensive damage will require a professional to remove all traces of the fire.
- Check for water damage As the fire was most likely extinguished with water, there is a good chance that there is some water damage. Any remaining water in your carpets needs to be removed immediately; otherwise, it can lead to mold buildup, which is a health hazard. Normally, a professional will need to be called in when you have a combination of fire and water damage.

Professional Fire Damage Restoration

The professionals at Utah Flood Cleanup will complete a *multi-step process that begins with an inspection and assessment, which will help in determining a course of action for the restoration.* Next, any missing windows or doors will typically be boarded up, and if the roof is damaged, it will be covered with tarps to keep out the elements.

Once the home or office is secured, **any water remaining in the home will be removed.** Once this process is complete, the team will remove soot from all of the surfaces including the walls and ceilings. A deodorizing fog or other type of odor neutralizer will be used to remove the smell of smoke.

Any items that can be restored will be cleaned and sanitized. Finally, *repairs to drywall, installing carpet, and painting will be the last step.*

Fire Damage Restoration Services in Utah

If your home or business has been damaged by a fire, give us a call at Utah Flood Cleanup. *Our team of professionals can walk you through the process of restoring your home or office to the condition it was in before the fire.* You can reach us 24/7 at 801-876-5225, or contact us here to get started. We know time is of the essence, so don't wait. Give us a call today, so we can get started right away.