



SAFE DEBRIS BURNING

Proper Debris Burning Prevents Wildfire

LEARN THE HOW, WHAT AND WHEN OF PREVENTING WILDFIRES FROM ESCAPED DEBRIS BURNING:

HOW



DON'T BURN UNLESS WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE SUCH THAT BURNING CAN BE CONSIDERED SAFE.



KEEP A WATER SUPPLY AND HAND TOOLS CLOSE TO THE BURNING SITE.



AVOID WEARING POLYESTER, NYLON AND OTHER COMBUSTIBLE CLOTHING WHILE BURNING.

KEEP BRUSH PILES SMALL, GRADUALLY ADDING TO THEM.



10 FT



CLEAR ALL FLAMMABLE MATERIAL AND VEGETATION WITHIN 10-FEET OF THE OUTER EDGE OF PILE.

WHAT



NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH, GARBAGE, OR BUILDING MATERIALS CAN BE BURNED OUTDOORS.



DRY, NATURAL VEGETATION, CAN BE BURNED OUTDOORS IN OPEN PILES, UNLESS PROHIBITED BY LOCAL ORDINANCES.

WHEN



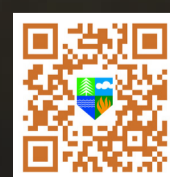
DON'T BURN IF IT IS WINDY AND THE SURROUNDING VEGETATION IS VERY DRY.

PERMITS

BURNING CAN ONLY BE DONE AFTER OBTAINING REQUIRED PERMITS BY CONTACTING YOUR LOCAL FORESTRY COMMISSION OFFICE, 1-877-OK2BURN OR GATREES.ORG.



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GET READY, GET SET, GO!

Wildfire Is Coming. Are You Ready?

GET PREPARED FOR WILDFIRE BEFORE IT STRIKES BY FOLLOWING THE READY, SET GO! GUIDE:

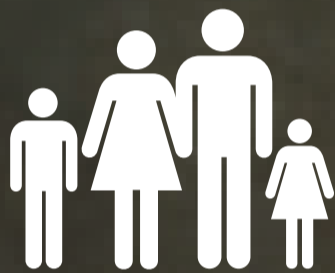
BEING READY



CREATE DEFENSIBLE SPACE: 100-FEET OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE IS REQUIRED AROUND YOUR HOME. LEARN HOW TO MAINTAIN THE TWO ZONES OF DEFENSIBLE SPACE NEEDED.

HARDEN YOUR HOME: FLYING EMBERS CAN DESTROY HOMES UP TO A MILE FROM WILDLAND AREAS. LEARN HOW TO PROTECT AND HARDEN YOUR HOME FROM A WILDFIRE THREAT.

GETTING SET



PREPARE YOUR HOME AND FAMILY FOR THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING TO EVACUATE.

1. WHAT
2. HOW
3. WHO
4. WHEN

CREATE A WILDFIRE ACTION PLAN.



ASSEMBLE AN EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT.



FILL OUT A FAMILY COMMUNICATION PLAN.

BEING READY TO GO



PRE-EVACUATION STEPS: PREPARE BOTH THE INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOUSE FOR EVACUATION. GET THE CHECKLISTS.



REVIEW YOUR EVACUATION PLAN CHECKLIST.

GO!

EVACUATION STEPS: WHEN IMMEDIATE EVACUATION IS NECESSARY, GET READY TO GO!



ENSURE YOUR EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT IS IN YOUR VEHICLE.



COVER-UP TO PROTECT AGAINST HEAT AND FLYING EMBERS. WEAR LONG PANTS, LONG SLEEVE SHIRT, HEAVY SHOES/BOOTS, CAP, DRY BANDANNA TO COVER FACE, GOGGLES OR GLASSES. 100% COTTON IS PREFERABLE.

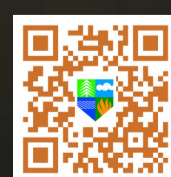


LOCATE YOUR PETS AND TAKE THEM WITH YOU.

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ONE LESS WILDFIRE

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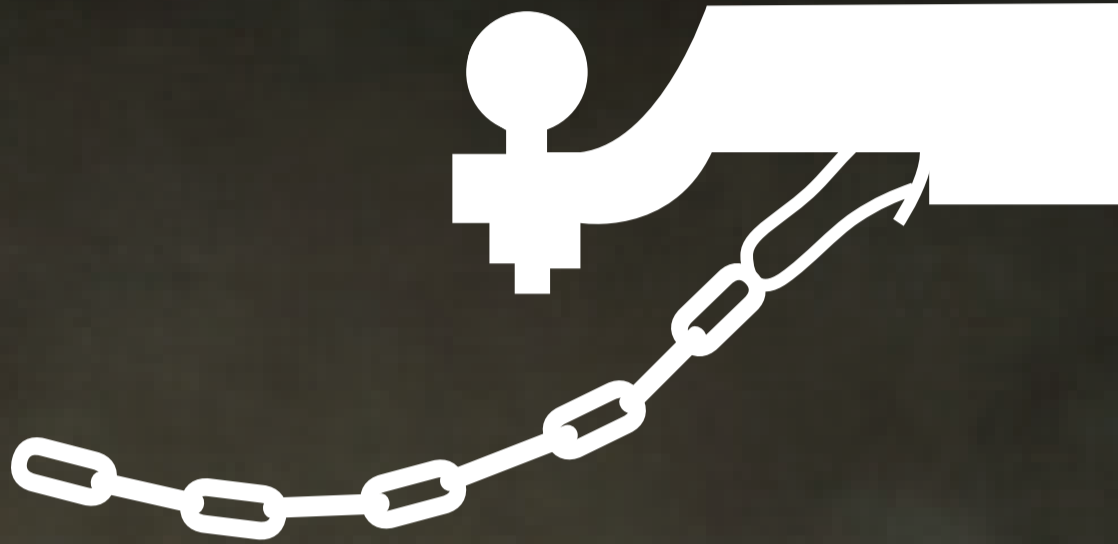
PRACTICING VEHICLE SAFETY

Proper Vehicle Use to Prevent Wildfire

MOTORISTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY OF THE WILDFIRES SPARKED ALONG OUR ROADWAYS. NEARLY ALL THESE FIRE STARTS COULD BE PREVENTED BY FOLLOWING THESE SAFETY RULES:

SECURE CHAINS

PRACTICE SAFE TOWING. DRAGGING CHAINS THROW SPARKS. USE APPROPRIATE SAFETY PINS AND HITCH BALL TO SECURE CHAINS.

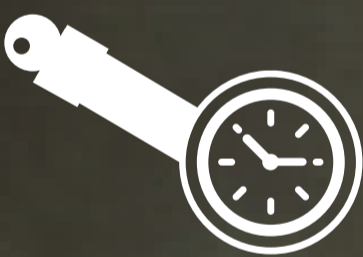


NO DRAGGING PARTS

MAKE SURE YOUR VEHICLE IS PROPERLY MAINTAINED, WITH NOTHING DRAGGING ON THE GROUND.



CHECK TIRE PRESSURE



MAINTAIN PROPER TIRE PRESSURE. DRIVING ON EXPOSED WHEEL RIMS WILL THROW SPARKS.



CARRY A FIRE EXTINGUISHER IN YOUR VEHICLE AND LEARN HOW TO USE IT.



DON'T DRIVE YOUR VEHICLE ONTO DRY GRASS OR BRUSH. HOT EXHAUST PIPES AND MUFFLERS CAN START FIRES THAT YOU WON'T EVEN SEE - UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE!

PROPERLY MAINTAIN BRAKES

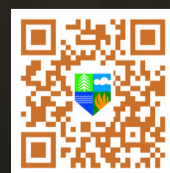
BRAKES WORN TOO THIN MAY CAUSE METAL TO METAL CONTACT, WHICH CAN CAUSE A SPARK.



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CAMPFIRE SAFETY RULES

Campfire Safety to Prevent Wildfire

LEARN HOW TO BUILD AN OPEN CAMPFIRE, MAINTAIN IT DURING THE BURN TIME AND HOW TO EXTINGUISH AN OPEN CAMPFIRE WHEN FINISHED:

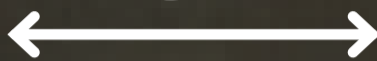
BUILD

TO BUILD A CAMPFIRE



SELECT A LEVEL, OPEN LOCATION AWAY FROM HEAVY FUELS SUCH AS LOGS, BRUSH OR DECAYING LEAVES AND NEEDLES.

5 FT



CLEAR AN AREA AT LEAST 5 FEET FROM FIRE'S EDGE.



SCRAPE AWAY GRASS, LEAVES OR NEEDLES DOWN TO THE MINERAL SOIL.



CUT WOOD IN SHORT LENGTHS, PILE WITHIN CLEARED AREA AND LIGHT THE FIRE.



SCOOP A DEPRESSION IN THE CENTER OF THE CLEARED AREA IN WHICH TO BUILD THE FIRE AND PUT A RING OF ROCKS AROUND IT.



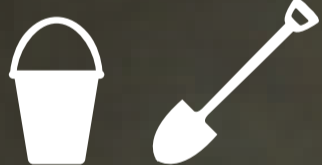
THE FIRE SHOULD BE BUILT NO LARGER THAN NECESSARY FOR COOKING OR PERSONAL WARMTH.



YOUR FIRE MUST NEVER BE LEFT UNATTENDED AND THE FIRE MUST BE EXTINGUISHED COMPLETELY BEFORE LEAVING.

BURN

THE FIRE IS BURNING



KEEP A SHOVEL AND BUCKET OF WATER NEARBY AT ALL TIMES.



WHILE THE FIRE IS BURNING, BE SURE THERE IS A RESPONSIBLE PERSON IN ATTENDANCE OF THE FIRE AT ALL TIMES.



NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN AROUND A FIRE UNATTENDED.

OUT

COMPLETELY EXTINGUISH CAMPFIRE



USE THE "DROWN, STIR AND FEEL" METHOD: DROWN THE FIRE WITH WATER, THEN STIR AROUND THE FIRE AREA WITH YOUR SHOVEL TO WET ANY REMAINING EMBERS AND ASH.



FEEL THE AREA WITH THE BACK OF YOUR HAND TO ENSURE NOTHING IS STILL SMOLDERING.



TURN WOOD AND COALS OVER AND WET ALL SIDES.

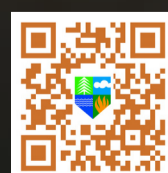


MOVE SOME DIRT ONTO THE FIRE SITE AND MIX THOROUGHLY TO FULLY SMOTHER IT.

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