

Wildfire Risks

It's easy:



Ask for landowners permission.



Be aware of the fire risk and your surroundings.



Don't litter—take only photos and leave only footprints.

Useful telephone numbers:

- In an Emergency: 999
- Fire Service: 27333
- Police Station: 28100
- KEMH (Hospital): 28000
- FIG Environment Department: 28449

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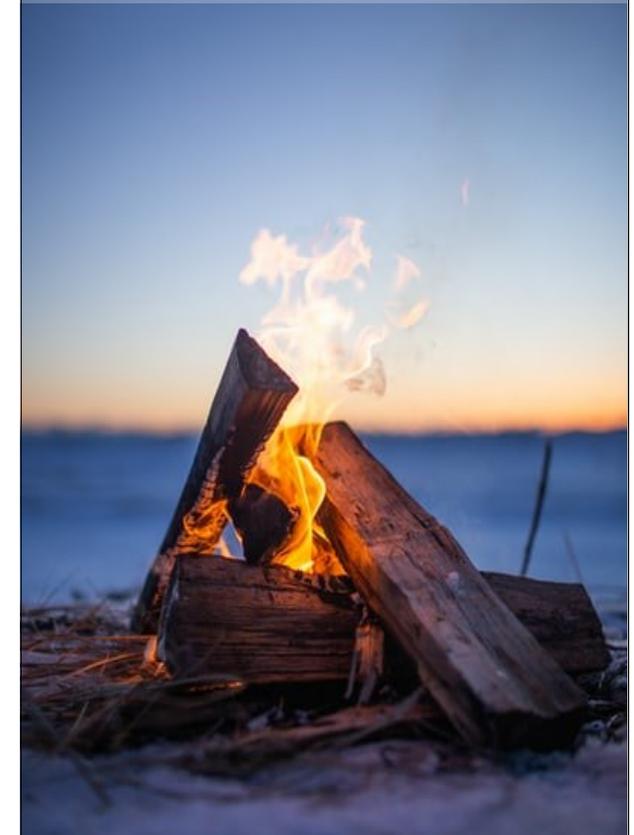


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Wildfire Awareness

A camping fire not a
“Camp Fire”



Fire Precautions

White grass and shrubs are easily ignited, especially during warm, dry weather. This can lead to the vast destruction of the area. No one likes a **camp fire**. You can **prevent** it by following this guidance:

Open fires:

- Build your fire **away** from grass, twigs and bushes
- Build your fire in a **designated** fire pit, away from your tent
- Ensure the fire is **completely out** before going to sleep
- **Never** leave a fire **unattended**
- **Always** have a bucket of earth, sand or water close by
- **Ensure** the area around your fire is **clear to step away** - leave no tents or clutter
- Make sure you **follow** the **instructions** of any camping stoves



BBQs:

- **Stability is essential;** ensure you choose a strong, sturdy BBQ
- **Always** check the **condition** of your BBQ
- **Place** your BBQ on **level ground** away from any vegetation, fences or buildings
- **Never** light your BBQ in an enclosed space
- **Never** use flammable liquids to start your BBQ or fire
- **Never** leave children **unsupervised** near a BBQ
- **Use long handled** tools to prevent burns
- **Be careful** of steam when opening foiled parcels
- **Do not** move your BBQ until it has cooled
- **Never bury** your BBQ under sand; it remains hot for several hours and could cause significant injuries and burns

Smoking:

- **Avoid** smoking in white grass or shrubby camp in summer; there is a high fire risk
- **Never** throw your cigarettes out of car windows or on the ground
- **Ensure** cigarettes are put out and placed in a bin



General BBQ tips:

Barbecuing should be **fun**, and will be **safe** if you prepare properly:

- **Always** ask for landowner's permission
- **Always** take your rubbish home for disposal or use a bin provided
- **Take particular care** in warm, dry weather
- **Ensure** disposable BBQs and coals have cooled properly before placing them in a bin