



Calgary



If nature is next door, wildfire is a risk.

Protect your property. calgary.ca/wildfire

Seasonal risk of wildfire, grass fires and other outdoor fires are a growing reality across Canada, especially where residential neighbourhoods join up with wildlands.

While The City of Calgary provides some of Canada's most effective fire response, planning and emergency preparedness, we also rely on residents and communities to reduce our shared fire risk, both at home and in City parks and natural areas.

Learn about outdoor fire risk specific to where you live at calgary.ca/wildfire. From renters to homeowners, both big and small actions can make a difference to reduce wildfire risk in your community.



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How to reduce your home's outdoor fire risk

Manage your trees and shrubs

- Leave at least three metres between newly planted trees.
- Avoid planting woody shrubs or trees within 1.5 metres of your home. Prune and maintain them regularly.

Create a safe perimeter

- Replace any combustible materials near the home with gravel, stone or other non-combustible mulch.
- Remove dead vegetation and firewood piles near walls.
- Use low-growing, irrigated plants.

Reduce fuels and flammable materials

- Store propane tanks, firewood and yard waste away from your home.
- Remove weeds and other debris from around propane tanks so there is no combustible material near the tank.
- Remove leaves, pine needles and other debris from your roof and gutters, if safe to do so.



Upgrade when renovating

- Choose fire-resistant building materials and construction techniques, such as metal, asphalt or concrete tile roofing and siding with fibre-cement board, brick, masonry or metal panels.
- If building a deck, use composite, heavy timber, or metal decking. Enclose underside with non-combustible skirting and remove any debris beneath decks.
- Avoid exterior untreated wood or vinyl where possible.

Use fire pits responsibly

- Fire pits must be at least two metres away from all property lines, fences or structures.
- All fire pits within Calgary must be covered with a fire-safe mesh screen or spark guard.
- Never leave fires unattended and ensure the fire is completely extinguished before you leave the area.
- Residents are responsible for ensuring that fire pits and outdoor fireplaces are bylaw compliant: calgary.ca/firepits

Practice outdoor fire safety

- Ensure safe disposal of all smoking materials. Do not dispose in planters or discard from your vehicle.
- Fireworks should never be used within our city's natural spaces and never without a permit: calgary.ca/fireworks
- Always check if a fire ban is in effect locally before starting a fire: calgary.ca/firebans