

You can enjoy the pleasures of outdoor cooking or camping and still play an important part in the prevention of accidental wildfires by following the simple suggestions listed below. A wildfire is any fire out of doors that goes out of control with the potential to cause serious damage or even death.

The following suggestions will help you:

- A) Recognize and identify potential dangers.
- B) Take precautionary and preventive measures.
- C) Give you guidance in reacting to an emergency situation safely, correctly and without panic.

Cigarettes and matches start fires. Be particularly careful with matches, lighters and

cigarette stubs if you must smoke while out of doors!

Always make sure that all butts are dead out and that

they are discarded in a solid, secure and untippable ashtray. Never on the ground! Always keep matches and lighters in a safe place away from children.



Liquid fire starters, such as Naptha and Kerosene can cause dangerous flare-ups when applied to diminishing flames. Never use them!

To be completely prepared for an emergency, always have an adequate container of water handy to extinguish any flames that may get out of control.

Keep small children away from areas where the risks of fire are present. Kids should not be allowed to come close to where cooking or campfires are in progress. Not only to protect them from

the risk of injury, but also to eliminate the danger of children having access to flammable materials or the means to cause wildfires from starting.



Remember matches, lighters, fire starters and flammable fuels are not toys. Keep children away!



Douse all hot coals after cooking

to insure that the flames are dead out. Coals that seem dead can re-ignite as much as even a day later.



The best method is to simply pour water on the grille or campfire. This will insure that no smoldering coals will burst back into flame.

Be sure the grounds around the fire are clear of flammable tinder.

Hot flying sparks can be a real hazard to your safety.

Inspect the grounds around the site of your

fire. Be sure to clean up all possible tinder and debris that could fuel an out of control blaze.



escape.

Common sense for tent campers
A) Build your cooking fire downwind
to prevent smoke and flying sparks
from endangering your campsite.

B) Have two ways out of your tent. In a fire emergency, avoid the potential of being trapped with no alternate means of

C) Make sure your tent is made of fire retardant materials.

## Around The Home

Plan your home and grounds to be free from the threat of wildfires. These simple precautionary steps will keep your property and your loved ones safe from the dangers of fire outside the home.



Following the above safety steps will keep the risks of wildfires outside your home down to a minimum. When building or buying, it is important to keep these pointers foremost in your mind. For safety's sake.

## Wild Fire Check List



A wildfire is any fire, outdoors, which is out of control. Brush fires, grass fires, or forest fires. The following check list will provide valuable tips to help keep your home and neighborhood safe.



Homes should be constructed on the most level section of the lot. All exterior surfaces should be of fire resistant materials. Avoid cedar shakes and shingles or treat them with fire retardant chemicals...



Keep your property clear of wildfire fuels such as rotting logs, branches, dry brush and construction debris.



Keep chimneys and stove pipes clean and clear. Do not stack firewood against the house.



Have an adequate water supply nearby... A pre-connected garden hose or a large tank of water with a handy five gallon pail.



Develop a standard evacuation route for you and your family. Have an established meeting point at a safe distance in case of fire. Do not overlook the importance of regular fire drills in the home as well as outside of it.



Know how to call the Fire Department from a safe location away from danger in an emergency.



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