



PUBLIC NOTICE



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City of Parkville
Parkville Fire Department
Fire Hall

CAMPFIRE BAN UPDATE CITY OF PARKSVILLE FIRE PROTECTION AREA

PARKSVILLE FIRE PROTECTION AREA - Effective 1200 Hours (Noon) July 27, 2009, and until further notice, all open fires (including campfires, cooking fires, fires in outdoor fireplaces and beach fires) are banned in the City of Parkville and surrounding fire protection area.

Affected areas include the City of Parkville, French Creek areas bordering the City of Parkville to the edge of the fire protection area at Johnston and Drew Roads, San Paniel, Forneau Road and Martindale Road areas.

This ban **does not** restrict fires in stoves and barbeques using gas, propane or briquettes.

This restriction **does** apply to open flame campfire apparatus (ie propane campfires, etc). This campfire ban will be in effect until weather conditions no longer pose a threat to wildfire starts.

This ban has been implemented by the Fire Chief in conjunction with the ban implemented by the BC Forest Service covering the South Coast. The fire danger rating is currently extreme throughout the area. Hot weather is forecasted and with drying trends continuing it is predicted that the danger rating will remain extreme.

To report an open fire call 250 248-3242. To report a fire emergency call 911.

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**Team up for Fire Safety!
Install working smoke alarms in your home.
Practice Fire Safety Everyday.**