



INFORMATION RELEASE

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Campfire Ban in Effect on July 16 for Parksville Fire Protection Area

Effective at noon on Thursday, July 16, all open burning, including campfires, are banned in the City of Parksville and the surrounding fire protection area (until further notice). The fire protection area encompasses the City of Parksville and portions of Regional District of Nanaimo Area G, which includes the French Creek areas bordering the City to the edge of the fire protection area at Johnston and Drew Roads, San Pareil, Fourneau Road, Wildgreen Road, and Martindale Road areas.

The ban applies to open fires of any size, campfires, fireworks, firecrackers, sky lanterns, tiki torches, burning barrels, and binary exploding targets. This ban has been implemented by the Parksville Fire Chief in conjunction with the ban implemented by the Coastal Fire Centre covering Vancouver Island and the south coast.

Beach fires are not permitted at any time in the Parksville Qualicum Wildlife Management Area which includes the entire waterfront area in the Parksville Fire Protection Area. Since Parksville beaches are provincial jurisdiction, beach fires should be reported to the RAPP (Report All Poachers and Polluters) line at 1 877 952-7277 (RAPP) or #7277 on the Telus mobility network.

Reporting should be as follows:

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| • Fire emergency (threat to lives and/or property) | 911 |
| • Open fire in the Parksville Fire Protection Area | 250 248-3242 |
| • Beach fires (RAPP line) | 1 877 952-7277 |

The ban does not apply to cooking stoves that use gas, propane or briquettes or to portable campfire apparatus with a CSA or ULC rating using briquettes, liquid or gaseous fuel that cannot produce a flame longer than 15 centimetres. Portable campfire apparatus that does not meet these conditions are prohibited.

For the latest information on fire restrictions in the Parksville Fire Protection Area, visit parksvillefirerescue.ca or follow the Parksville Fire Department on Bluesky and Facebook. For information on provincial wildfire activity, conditions and prohibitions, visit the [Wildfire Management Branch website](http://www.bcwildfire.ca) at www.bcwildfire.ca. To report a wildfire, call 1 800 663-5555 or *5555 on a mobile phone.

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For more information:

Parksville Fire Rescue
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*The City of Parksville is located on the traditional territory of the Coast Salish Nations,
home to the Snaw-Naw-As First Nation and the Qualicum First Nation.*

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