2020 Fire ban system Approved activities list

A guide to levels of fire activity restrictions in Alberta



Activity	Normal Fire Precautions	Fire Advisory	Fire Restriction	Fire Ban	Forest Closure
Fire Permits	As issued by a forest officer or fire guardian	May be restricted or suspended	Restricted, suspended or cancelled	Suspended or cancelled	Suspended or cancelled
Safe wood campfires* on public lands	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Safe wood campfires* on private land and provincial campgrounds	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Backyard firepits	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Barbeque - Charcoal briquette	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Propane / natural gas powered appliances**	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Wood fire in an enclosed facility or device**	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Open flame CSA approved oil devices**	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Fireworks	Prohibited without written permission of a Forest Officer	Prohibited without written permission of a Forest Officer	Prohibited without written permission of a Forest Officer	No	No
Exploding targets	Prohibited without written permission of a Forest Officer	Prohibited without written permission of a Forest Officer	No	No	No

^{*} Safe wood campfires - should be within a metal, brick, or rock fire ring. They are required to:

- 1) be on rock, gravel, sand, or another non combustible surface that extends at least one metre around the fire
- 2) have a responsible person in attendance to keep fire under control at all times and extinguish before leaving
- have on hand enough water on site to extinguish the fire. Safe wood campfires on private lands include private land campgrounds and private land recreation areas. Municipalities, Parks and protected areas may have additional fire safety requirements.



^{**} Cooking, warming and lighting devices - all devices must be CSA approved and used as per manufacturer standards. An enclosed facility or device is one that is fully contained with a chimney that has a spark arrestor. Users are still responsible for care and attendance of all devices and should reduce their use during fire restrictions and bans. Approved activities or devices will not prevent potential prosecution or litigation if the user or device starts a wildfire.