

REDUCE YOUR FIRE RISK

You can reduce the risks of wildfire with some basic safety practices.

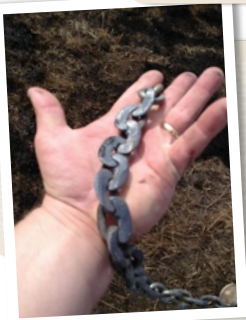


In-field Repairs

Be careful with metal cutting saws, grinders, welding equipment, etc. Clear vegetation and water-down the work area especially downwind, prior to working. Re-water the area periodically to keep it wet, until repairs are done.

Outdoor Equipment Use

Make sure all mechanical outdoor equipment (tractors, chainsaws, off-road vehicles, etc.) are equipped with properly-working mufflers, spark arresters, and bearings.



Vehicle Use

Avoid driving or parking in tall, dry grass. Exhaust systems and catalytic converters easily start fires. Well-maintained vehicle tires reduce the risk of blowouts, exposed rims can start fires. Make sure safety chains do not drag, causing sparks.

Outdoor/Trash Burning

When open burning is allowed, establish a clear zone 4x the flame height around the burn area or receptacle. Cover any receptacle with metal mesh to keep burning material inside. Stay with your fire until it is out.



Brush Pile/Field Burning

When open burning is allowed, establish wide control lines around brush piles and fields. Don't burn on windy days. Have water and equipment (plows, field sprayer, etc.) available in case your fire gets out of hand. Avoid burning when smoke from your fire may obscure highways or send smoke into downwind communities and residences.



Smoking Materials

Dispose of smoking materials properly. In a vehicle, use the ashtray; outside, crush smoking materials and matches dead out on bare ground larger than 3' in diameter.



Remember to always check for your local fire restrictions at

firerestrictions.us