

Ponoka County Regional Fire Service Fire Restriction In Place (April 23, 2024)

In conjunction with the Rocky Forest Protection Area, which affects the area of Ponoka County west of Range Road 44, and the forecasted warm windy weather, Ponoka Regional Fire Services has implemented a Fire Restriction effective immediately in their response area (Ponoka County, Town of Ponoka, Town of Rimbey and Summer Village of Parkland Beach).

Under the restriction, all active fire permits are suspended and new permits will not be issued until the conditions improve. In addition, the use of fireworks and exploding targets are also prohibited.

At this time the following is allowed but may also be affected:

- backyard fire pit and burning barrel (with a mesh screen and attended at all times. Both can heat the ground around them resulting in a fire)
- Incinerators (for farm & acreage use),
- BBQs (propane/charcoal briquette) and smokers.
- Gas and liquid powered appliances (eg stoves, lanterns and propane fire rings)

Users are still responsible for the care and attendance of all devices and should reduce their use during fire restrictions and bans.

Always remember to use extreme caution while using your fire pits, burn barrels and conducting any open burning. An “under control” fire can change in a matter of seconds or minutes.

Thanks for helping keep the residents and community safe!

