

Ponoka County Regional Fire Services Fire Advisory In Effect (May 1, 2024)

Although some well needed moisture was received, the amounts varied throughout the County. Ponoka County is now under a Fire Advisory.

Fireworks Discharge and Open Burn Permits will be approved on a case by case basis in the remainder of Ponoka County, including the Town of Rimbey, Town of Ponoka and Summer Village of Parkland Beach.

The Fire Advisory will be amended or lifted as circumstances change.

Residents are permitted to use their backyard fire pit and burning barrel (with a mesh screen if/when unattended), incinerators (for farm & acreage use), BBQs (propane/charcoal briquette) and smokers.

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. Be aware of the weather conditions at all times while burning.

Always extinguish your fire if the change in weather increases the hazard of your fire. Thanks for helping keep the residents and community safe!

For up-to-date fire status please visit www.ponokacounty.com, Ponoka County App Notifications or www.albertafirebans.ca or contact the County office at 403-783-3333.

Ponoka County East District Fire Department
Ponoka County West District Fire Department
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Building A Proper Fire Pit

Within Ponoka County, Town of Ponoka, Town of Rimbey and Summer Village of Parkland Beach, fire pits must:



- Be **at least 3 metres** (10 feet) from buildings, property lines and anything else that could catch fire
- Be **equal to or less than** 60 centimetres (2 feet) high
- Be **equal to or less than** 1 metre (3 feet) wide
- Have enclosed sides made from bricks, concrete, heavy-gauge metal or non-combustible materials
- Have a **non-combustible** mesh screen on top to stop sparks (spark-arrestor) **with openings smaller than 1.25 centimetres** (1/2")

