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## CONSTRUCTION SITE FIRE SAFETY

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This Notice applies to persons performing work considered high fire risk within 300m of grassland/forested area when at a high/extreme fire rating within the City of Kamloops.

Employees, contractors, and home owners must take measures to reduce the risk of causing a wildfire, and to prevent fire spread. To manage and reduce the fire risk caused by construction activities, the following is required at all construction sites.

- **Provide a minimum of one 2-A:10-BC fire extinguisher for every vehicle and piece of equipment**
- **Provide a water source on-site. This could include a hose, or water tank and pump**
- **Keep a minimum of one round-nosed shovel for every two persons**
- **Ensure combustible construction debris is removed regularly**
- **Store combustible materials away from possible ignition sources**
- **Do not smoke on-site, or provide a designated smoking area**
- **Manage and have a plan for works that are a possible ignition source, including, but not limited to:**
  - **Rebar cutting, welding, or grinding activities**
  - **Works with an open flame, including roof works**
  - **Clearing operations using chainsaws or tracked equipment**
  - **Dragging metal across bare ground**
- **Pre-wet areas where such works are occurring, or ensure 12m distance from grassland forested areas**
- **Do not park vehicles, or place hot equipment, on dry vegetation**
- **Keep generators on a gravel pad with clearances to combustibles**
- **Monitor and maintain a fire watch if required**

Depending on location, owner-builders may be required to submit a written fire safety plan prior to issuance of a building permit.

If you start or spot a wildfire – in all cases immediately call 911, and if safe to do so, attempt to put the fire out.

For more information see [www.kamloops.ca](http://www.kamloops.ca), or call (250)828-3554.