

2022 Wildfire Resources – Before, During and After a Wildfire

BEFORE A WILDFIRE

FireSmart™ (BC Wildfire Service)

<http://www.bcwildfire.ca/Prevention/firesmart.htm>

- FireSmart Homeowner's Manual
- FireSmart Principles

Get Prepared for a Wildfire in BC

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/wildfires>

- Wildfire Preparedness Guide
- Before a Wildfire
- During a Wildfire
- After a Wildfire

PreparedBC—Public Emergency Preparation and Recovery

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc>

- Know The Hazards
- Make Your Plan
- Build Your Kits
- Educational Programs and Toolkits
- Guides and Resources
- Evacuation and Recovery Resources

Wildfire Prevention

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status/prevention>

- FireSmart
- Funding for Wildfire Prevention
- Vegetation and Fuels Management
- Open Fires, Prohibitions and Restrictions

DURING A WILDFIRE

BC Asthma Prediction System (BCAPS)—online map

<https://maps.bccdc.ca/bcaps/>

Evacuee Registration and Assistance (Emergency Support Services)

<https://ess.gov.bc.ca/>

Particulate Matter and Outdoor Air Pollution (HealthLinkBC)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/particulate-matter-and-outdoor-air-pollution>

Wildfire Smoke: BC Centre for Disease Control

<http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/prevention-risks/wildfires>

- Health Effects
- People at Higher Risk
- Protect Yourself from Wildfire Smoke
- FACT Sheets

Wildfires (Island Health)

<https://www.islandhealth.ca/learn-about-health/environment/wildfires>

- Air Quality
- Tips to reduce your personal risk
- Dual smoke and extreme heat events

Wildfire Response (First Nations Health Authority)

<https://www.fnha.ca/what-we-do/environmental-health/wildfire-information>

- Printable Wildfire Resources for Communities
- Emergency Management and Evacuation
- Air Quality and Wildfire Smoke
- Mental Health and Cultural Supports
- Returning Home After Wildfires

AFTER A WILDFIRE

Disinfecting Drinking Water (HealthLinkBC)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/disinfecting-drinking-water>

Landslide and Flooding Risks Due to Wildfires (What can you do to recognize and deal with hazards)

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/farming-natural-resources-and-industry/natural-resource-use/resource-roads/local-road-safety-information/landslide_flooding_risks_due_to_wildfires-sign.pdf

Nitrate in Well Water (possible temporary increases in nitrate levels and/or water cloudiness if fire retardant enters into drinking water sources)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/nitrate-well-water>

Preventing Water-Borne Infections for People with Weakened Immune Systems (HealthLinkBC)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/preventing-water-borne-infections-people-weakened-immune-systems>

Recovering After a Wildfire (PreparedBC)

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/wildfires/after-wildfire>

- Before You Re-enter
- Food and Water Safety
- Clean and Repair Your Home
- Claiming Insurance
- Psychological Care

Returning to Your Home After Wildfire (First Nations Health Authority)

<https://www.fnha.ca/Documents/FNHA-Returning-to-Your-Home-After-Wildfires.pdf>

Well Water Testing (HealthLinkBC)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/well-water-testing>

What to do After a Fire (Office of the Fire Commissioner—info on insurance claims, additional supports, restoration and cleaning)

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-and-emergency-services/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/embc/fire-safety/fire-prevention-and-education/ofc_what_to_do_after_a_fire.pdf

Wildfire: It's Effect on Drinking Water Quality (HealthLinkBC)

<https://www.healthlinkbc.ca/healthlinkbc-files/wildfire-its-effects-drinking-water-quality>

MISCELLANEOUS WILDFIRE RESOURCES

BC Wildfire Service

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-status>

- BC Wildfire Dashboard
- Emergency Info BC
- Current Wildfire Activity
- Fire Bans and Restrictions

BC Wildfire (Insurance Bureau of Canada—including several FAQs)

<http://www.ibc.ca/on/disaster/bcwildfire>

- Wildfire Insurance Q&A
- Fire Damage (Tip Sheets)
- BC Wildfire-Home Insurance
- BC Wildfire-Auto Insurance

BC Wildfires Information (BC Automobile Association)

<https://www.bcaa.com/insurance/rd/bc-wildfire-insurance-tips>

- Wildfire Coverage (property, car, business)
- Prepare for BC Wildfire Season with BCAA (Checklist)

How to help your animals during a wildfire emergency evacuation (BC SPCA)

<https://spca.bc.ca/news/wildfire-evacuation-checklist/>

- Prepare and Prep
- Important Emergency Checklist

Emergency Management for Agriculture (BC Agriculture and Food—wildfire and flood)

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/business-market-development/emergency-management>

Emergency Management Resources for Farmers and Ranchers (EmergencyInfoBC)

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-management/preparedbc/guides-and-resources/wildfire-resources-for-farmers-and-ranchers>

Emergency Preparedness (Destination BC—examples only; not a full list)

<https://www.destinationbc.ca/what-we-do/destination-management/emergency-preparedness/>

- Know Before You Go
- Emergency Messaging Guidance
- PreparedBC Tourism Resources
- Adventuresmart

Resource Road Safety Information (Government of BC)

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/natural-resource-use/resource-roads/local-road-safety-information>

- Resource Road Orientation (YouTube)
- Radio Use and Road Calling Procedures (YouTube)
- Resource Road Safety Guide pamphlet

Wildfire Resources (WorkSafeBC)

<https://www.worksafebc.com/en/law-policy/occupational-health-safety/searchable-ohs-regulation>

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- Media Backgrounders: Wildfires: Keeping Workers Safe
- Health and Safety Resources for Wildfire Season
- Wildfire Smoke—FAQs
- Wildfire Evacuation Planning

APPENDIX A: Extreme Heat—Occupational Health and Safety Literature

Extreme Heat Event Guidelines: Technical Guide for Health Care Workers (Government of Canada)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/environmental-workplace-health/reports-publications/climate-change-health/extreme-heat-events-guidelines-technical-guide-health-care-workers.html>

Hot Environments - Health Effects and First Aid (Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety)

https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/phys_agents/heat_health.html

How to avoid heat stress for masked workers (Workplace Safety North, June 7/21)

<https://www.workplacesafetynorth.ca/news/news-post/how-avoid-heat-stress-masked-workers>

Sun Safety at Work

<https://sunsafetyatwork.ca/core>

Thermal stress in the workplace (Government of Canada)

<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/health-safety/reports/thermal-stress-work-place.html>

WorkSafe BC (type in “heat”)

[https://www.worksafebc.com/en/search#sort=Relevancy&f:language-facet=\[English\]](https://www.worksafebc.com/en/search#sort=Relevancy&f:language-facet=[English])