



News Release

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Hot weather brings increased fire risk and camp and beach fire ban in Campbell River

With hot summer weather and no rain in the forecast, Campbell River is issuing a campfire and beach fire ban – effective at noon, Thursday, July 6.

“We know people love to have summer camp fires and fires on the beach, but the fire risk is so great at this point that the entire province other than Haida Gwaii and what’s called the coastal fog zone will have this prohibition in place,” says fire chief Ian Baikie. *“We appreciate everyone’s assistance in doing their part to prevent wildfires in our community.”*

This ban applies to all recreational fires, including campfires on private lands.

“If the weather changes and the risk drops enough, we will certainly let people know when and how they can have recreational fires in Campbell River,” Baikie adds.

This prohibition does not apply to CSA-rated or ULC-rated cooking stoves that use gas, propane or briquettes, or to portable campfires that uses briquettes, liquid or gaseous fuel, as long as the height of the flame is less than 15 centimetres.

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