

OUTDOOR FIRE SAFETY

Vancouver Fire Rescue Services



Keep yard clear of excess clutter and debris. This is not only focusing on vegetation surrounding the home but also the, “human treasures.” This may include, old tires, left over wood, furniture items, and papers that can contribute to debris piles located in close proximity to the home.

Consider putting garbage cans out the morning of pick up, instead of the night before. Make sure that garbage cans have lids and are not located under the eaves of your home.

Hoarding outside of the home is just as hazardous as inside. This creates a dangerous environment for Firefighters in case of an emergency. Store items in a safe place, under the deck or in a shed.

Safely dispose of smoking materials by using a deep sturdy ashtray. DO NOT discard cigarettes in vegetation such as mulch, potted plants or landscaping, dried grasses, leaves or other things that could ignite easily. Before you throw away butts, make sure they are doused in water or sand.

Propane and charcoal grills should only be used outside. Place grill well away from the home, out from under eaves and away from vegetation. Never leave cooking unattended.

