

Fire Safety Outdoors

Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) would like you to enjoy the outdoors safely. With the long school holidays ahead many of you will be playing outside, enjoying barbecues and going camping.

Did you know? In the UK, 79,000 fires are started on grass and heath land every day. This is an average of 216 every day!

Rules for the countryside

- Avoid open fires in the countryside. Fire spreads extremely quickly particularly in dry weather conditions
- If you see a fire in the countryside, report it immediately. Call 999. Do not attempt to put out the fire yourself
- Take all rubbish home with you or place in a waste or recycling bin. Don't leave bottles or glass in woodlands

Rules for Barbecues

- Don't play by the cooking area
- Keep your pets away from the cooking area
- Make sure parents/ carers keep a bucket of water, sand or garden hose nearby

Did you know? A fire can destroy a tent in less than 60 seconds

Rules for Camping/ Caravaning

- Never use candles in or near a tent – torches are much safer
- Never allow parents/ carers to cook near the tent walls or inside a small tent
- Never allow parents/ carers to smoke inside the tent
- Every caravan should have a smoke alarm fitted and working
- Parents/ carers must never leave cooking unattended
- Remove any litter and rubbish near the caravan
- Remember 'Stop, Drop and Roll' should any ones clothes catch fire