

Fire Safety Outdoors

Hereford and Worcester Fire and Rescue Service (HWFRS) would like you to enjoy the outdoors safely. In school holidays and fine weather many of you will be spending more time 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. Always have them in a designated area. Fire spreads very 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 outdoors as sunlight through glass can start a fire.

Rules for Barbecues

- Don't let children play by the cooking area.
- Keep your pets away from the cooking area.
- Make sure you keep a bucket of water, sand or garden hose nearby.
- Make sure the barbecue is well away from shrubs, trees and sheds.
- Never leave cooking unattended.
- Follow manufacturers' safety advice when using gas barbecues.

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

Rules for Camping/ Caravanning

- Never use candles in or near a tent – torches are much safer.
- Never cook near the tent walls or inside a small tent.
- Never smoke inside the tent.
- Every caravan should have a smoke alarm fitted and working.
- Remove any litter and rubbish near the caravan.
- Remember 'Stop, Drop and Roll' should any ones clothes catch on fire.



[The Countryside Code](#)



[Caravan Fire Safety](#)