

Fire Agencies Urge Campfire Safety as Summer Weather Approaches

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(Astoria, OR) — During Wildfire Awareness Month, Clatsop County is partnering with [Clatsop County Fire Defense Board](#) and [local and state fire prevention agencies](#) in reminding people to safely maintain and put out campfires.

“People come from across the world to enjoy the beauty of the Pacific Northwest and our county. To protect people’s lives and this beautiful space, we encourage people to use an abundance of caution before building a campfire during wildfire season,” said Justin Gibbs, Clatsop County emergency management director.

The [Clatsop County Fire Defense Board](#) and [local fire services](#) recommend [seven campfire safety tips](#) to help you reduce the risk of starting a wildfire:

1. Know before you go. Check out [current conditions](#)
2. Clear around the campfire site and circle the pit with rocks
3. Keep your campfire small
4. Attend your fire at all times
5. Burn wood only
6. Always have water and a shovel on site
7. Before calling it a night or leaving for home, **make sure it’s DEAD out**

State agencies involved in the Wildfire Awareness Month campaign are the Bureau of Land Management, Oregon State Parks and the Oregon Departments of Agriculture, Forestry and State Lands.

Find out about campfire restrictions at the [Oregon State Parks website](#).

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