



WILDFIRE AWARENESS: IT'S DRY OUT THERE!

COLORADO'S LOW HUMIDITY HAS ITS PERKS, BUT CAN CREATE DRY, DANGEROUS FIRE CONDITIONS. WHILE FIRE CAN START FROM NATURAL EVENTS SUCH AS LIGHTNING STRIKES, 84 PERCENT OF U.S. WILDFIRES ARE CAUSED BY HUMANS OR HUMAN ACTIVITY. PLEASE TAKE THESE TIPS AND RESOURCES TO HEART AS YOU TRAVEL COLORADO:

- ▲ Keep campfires small and manageable.
- ▲ Never let a fire burn unattended.
- ▲ Properly maintain and watch campfires.

- ▲ Do not build a fire in hazardous or windy conditions, or if a campground, area or event prohibits campfires. Check first to see if they are permitted.
- ▲ Use an existing fire ring or fire pit; if one's not available and pits are allowed, look for a site at least 15 feet away from tent walls, shrubs, trees and low-hanging branches.

- ▲ Extinguish campfires properly by watering the embers completely until they are fully extinguished and cool enough to handle. Stir the ashes and embers to make sure everything is wet, and scrape sticks and logs to remove any embers.
- ▲ Use care when smoking cigarettes; always put them out completely and don't leave for your butts behind.

- ▲ Fire restrictions and bans are set by local jurisdictions and by individual forest agencies. Check with the local sheriff's office, fire department or federal forest agency before lighting a campfire this summer.
- ▲ Register for emergency alerts in the county you are visiting at coemergency.com.

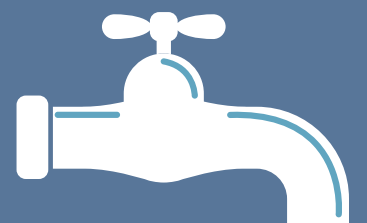


Learn more at COLORADO.com/WildfirePrevention.

LEAVE NO TRACE

PLEASE HELP US PROTECT AND RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT THAT WE ALL CHERISH. FIRE SAFETY IS JUST ONE OF SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF THE LEAVE NO TRACE – CARE FOR COLORADO ETHOS:

- **KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:** Find your way to less-visited and off-peak destinations.
- **STICK TO TRAILS:** You're helping natural areas stay natural.
- **LEAVE IT AS YOU FIND IT:** Preserve our natural and historical sites and living things as you found them.
- **TRASH THE TRASH:** Pack it in, pack it out.
- **BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE**
- **KEEP WILDLIFE WILD:** To keep you and them safe, don't approach or feed wildlife.
- **SHARE OUR TRAILS & PARKS:** Be considerate of others enjoying our outdoors.



HELP US CONSERVE

WATER IS A PRECIOUS RESOURCE, SO PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR WATER CONSUMPTION WHILE YOU'RE HERE. BELOW ARE SOME WAYS TO HELP:

- ✓ Reuse towels in hotels instead of asking for a new one daily.
- ✓ Minimize the length of your showers.
- ✓ Don't let the faucet run while brushing your teeth.

Read more at COLORADO.com/LeaveNoTrace.

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