



Be aware of this before lighting a campfire

Campfires and barbecuing are pleasant out in the open and in your own garden. Here you can see how and when you can barbecue and light campfires, and which precautions you should take.

In Norway everyone must show care and act in a way to prevent fires from occurring. This concerns everyone, at all times and everywhere.

We also have a general ban on fires from 15 April to 15 September, where it is prohibited to light campfires and barbecues in or close to forests and other outlying areas.

Beaches are often considered outlying areas and are thus included in the general ban of campfires.

Violations of the duty of care or the general ban on campfires are punishable by fines or imprisonment.

Although there is a general ban on campfires, you are permitted to light campfires where it is obvious a fire cannot start. A great deal of precipitation is required before it is obvious that a fire cannot start.

Tips for safe fires:

- Consider the risk of forest fire and wind conditions.
- It is always the person burning the fire who is responsible for fire safety.
- There should be an adult, sober person responsible for the fire.
- The fire should be a good distance from buildings and vegetation.
- It is not permitted to light fires on rocks along the coast.
- The fire must not be larger than that you can control it and extinguish it if necessary.
- Have suitable means for extinguishing easily available.
- It is prohibited to burn plastic, building materials and other waste.
- When you leave the site of the fire, it must be completely extinguished.