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Celebrate Canada Day safely

Barbecuing is one of the great pleasures of summer and Caledon Fire and Emergency Services wants to make sure everyone enjoys the season safely.

“Before you fire up that barbecue, check the tank and hose for leaks,” said Dave Pelayo, Chief Fire Prevention Officer. “Remember that barbecues are for **outdoor use only**. Using a barbecue indoors can create carbon monoxide – an odourless, colourless, poisonous gas – and breathing in carbon monoxide is extremely harmful.”

Grill Safely:

- Do not leave barbecue grills unattended.
- Always make sure the gas grill lid is open before lighting it.
- Barbecue grills should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- If someone is burned, run cool water over the wound for three to five minutes and seek medical attention if necessary.

Fireworks:

During Canada Day celebrations fireworks may only be set off on July 1 and only on private property. Setting off of fireworks on public property, parks, roads or sidewalks is strictly prohibited.

Retailers can only sell fireworks during the 10 days prior to Canada Day, starting June 21, 2017. All retailers must purchase a permit prior to selling any type of fireworks, which can be picked up at Caledon Fire and Emergency Services, 6211 Old Church Rd, Caledon East, at a cost of \$179.00.

Fireworks Safety Tips:

- Keep sparklers away from children. Hot sparklers can burn.
- Appoint a responsible person to be in charge.
- Carefully read and follow the directions on fireworks packaging.
- Always keep a hose or pail of water close by when discharging fireworks.



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- Place discharged fireworks in a bucket full of water, well away from buildings, and combustible materials such as garbage, trees, or dry grass.

More information

If you have any questions please contact Caledon Fire and Emergency Services at 905.584.2272 x. 4303 or by email at fire@caledon.ca. Visit our website at caledon.ca/fire.

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