



BE A HAPPY CAMPER... DON'T LET INJURIES OR FIRE RUIN YOUR NEXT CAMPING TRIP!

There's nothing like waking up to the fresh mountain air, the smell of pine trees, and a roaring campfire. However, weather conditions, poor planning or fire dangers can put a damper on your camping trip. Here are few simple tips to help make your camping trip fun and safe!

Camping Tips

- Use flame-retardant tents and sleeping bags if possible, but assume tents and sleeping bags are flammable and be careful with fire.
- Keep stoves, lanterns and candles out of tents.
- Place campfires and stoves away from tents or sleeping gear, keep fire downwind.
- Extinguish fires before going to sleep.
- Keep cooking, heating and lighting equipment in good repair and follow instructions in its use.
- Don't smoke cigarettes, pipes or cigars near sleeping bags.
- Avoid using carbon monoxide releasing charcoal and catalytic products in unventilated areas.
- Transport flammable liquids in safety containers, keep them capped, out of tents and away from children.

Campfire Tips

A small campfire can turn into a roaring forest fire. Take precautions when lighting, maintaining and putting out your campfire:

- Dig a small pit away from overhanging branches. (Most parks have campfire pits ready and waiting for you.)
- Circle the pit with rocks or be sure it already has a metal fire ring.
- Clear a five-foot area around the pit down to the soil.
- Keep a bucket of water and a shovel nearby. To extinguish the fire, cover with dirt or pour water over it.
- Stack extra wood upwind and away from the fire.
- After lighting, do not discard the match until it is cold.
- Never leave a campfire unattended, not even for a minute. Always put out a campfire when going to sleep or leaving the campsite.

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