

# Public Service Announcement

May 13, 2015

City of Edmonton

## Open burning restricted in Edmonton

Due to prolonged dry, hot, and windy conditions, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services is issuing an open burning restriction which does not allow any open burning or fireworks in Edmonton. Backyard fire pits and recreational cook stoves in parks are still permitted with caution in Edmonton. Backyard fire pits must meet all the requirements of the firepit bylaw.

As of May 13, 2015, the fire danger rating for Edmonton has moved into the "extreme" category, which is measured according to the Fire Weather Index and takes into account temperature, wind conditions, humidity, and moisture levels.

This restriction will remain in effect until further notice.

During the open burning fire restriction, the City will emphasize compliance over enforcement. However, anyone who breaks this restriction may be subject to fines or charges if the activity causes a safety issue. This may also include covering costs for emergency services.

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### For more information:

[albertafirebans.ca](http://albertafirebans.ca)

[edmonton.ca/firepits](http://edmonton.ca/firepits)

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