

# Public Service Announcement

June 02, 2015

City of Edmonton

## Fire Ban in Edmonton downgraded to Fire Restriction

Due to cooler and more humid weather, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services has replaced the fire ban with a fire restriction.

The restriction prohibits open burning as well as the use of fireworks. However, Edmontonians will now be able to use their BBQs, cooking stoves and backyard fire pits provided they meet all the requirements of the firepit bylaw.

As of June 2, 2015, the fire danger rating for Edmonton is rated as 'moderate.' It is based on the Fire Weather Index and takes into account temperature, wind conditions, humidity and moisture levels.

Edmonton Fire Rescues Services is still stressing that Edmonton has not reached ideal weather conditions, but the fire risk is manageable if the proper precautions are taken to ensure fire safety and prevention.

The restriction will remain in effect until further notice.

During the fire restriction, the City will emphasize compliance over enforcement. However, anyone who breaks this restriction may be subject to covering the costs of emergency services in the event their actions lead to injury and/or property damage.

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### For more information:

[edmonton.ca/residential\\_neighbourhoods/fire\\_safety/fire-bans.aspx](http://edmonton.ca/residential_neighbourhoods/fire_safety/fire-bans.aspx)

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