

Town of Waterford

Fire Prevention Newsletter



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The dedicated members of the Waterford Fire Department strive to provide reliable emergency services, public education and awareness for all who live, work or visit Waterford.



Spring Ahead

Sunday, March 12

Change your clocks and smoke detector batteries!



Fire Pit Safety



- Position seating at a reasonable distance from the fire, and always keep children and pets at least 3 feet away.
- Before lighting a fire, check wind direction and any flammable materials nearby. Keep hose or water bucket close by.
- Do not use lighter fluid to start a fire. Use kindling or a starter log.
- Never leave a fire unattended. Do not throw garbage in the fire or use soft, fresh wood like pine. All of these can pop and throw sparks.
- Fully extinguish fires when you leave. Use water or follow the fire pit instructions. Dispose properly of ashes, using a dedicated metal container. Avoid fires during times of heightened wildfire risk.



Spring Cleaning for Fire Safety



Inside The Home



Test your home's smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.



Don't use electrical appliances with frayed cords.



Check for water around electrical appliances.



Clean debris from your clothes dryer lint trap and exhaust duct.

Outside The Home



Remove dead leaves and other debris around foundations, decks, porches, and stairs.



Check grills for rust, worn parts, insects, grease, and other debris before use.



Grills should only be used when at least 10 feet away from your house or any building.

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