

Wildfire Evacuation Checklist

During wildfire season be prepared by following this checklist for your grab and go bag and as a guide if an evacuation is anticipated and time allows. For more information on emergency preparedness visit PreparedBC webpage.



EVACUATION NOTIFICATIONS & INFORMATION

VOYENT Alert RDCK Emergency
Notifications - Register to receive
emergency notifications for your area.
Register @ https://voyentalert.com/ca/community

Check the BC Wildfire webpage for fire status or download the mobile App Get updates on

Be Aware of Current Wildfires

Facebook @BCForestFireInfo Twitter <u>@BCGovFireInfo</u>

Evacuation Order:

You are at risk. Leave the area immediately.

Important Numbers

Report a wildfire:

1 800 663-5555 or *5555 on a cell Fire information line:

1 888 336-7378

Evacuee Support Services 1 800 585-9559

Evacuation Rescind:

All is currently safe and you can return home.

BEFORE:

Evacuation Alert:

READY YOUR PROPERTY!

- Create a defensible space 30ft around structures.
- Use fire-resistant building materials.
- Keep yard cut below 10cm and well irrigated.
- Set up sprinklers around house and on roofline to keep area wet.
- Remove patio furniture, wood, gas/propane at least 30ft away from structures.

MAKE A PLAN!

- Plan several evacuation routes from your home.
- Designate a safe meeting place with family and out of area contact.

READY YOUR VEHICLE!

- Keep vehicles fuel above half
- Keep first aid kit and tools in vehicle.

PREPARE GRAB N GO KIT!

See reverse for essential items to include.

DURING EVACUATION:

COMMUNICATE:

- Keep your cell phone charged.
- Leave note with contact info and out-of-area contact taped to inside of window/door.
- Notify out-of-area contact of your phone number, location and status.

PREPARE YOUR VEHICLE(S):

- Bring a Chainsaw if possible
- Put your 'Grab n Go' kit and essentials in your vehicle. (Reverse)

PREPARE YOUR HOUSE:

- Place combustible patio furniture or other items in the house or garage.
- Ensure garden hoses are connected and sprinklers are set up.
- Turn off all pilot lights.
- Shut all windows and doors.
- Shut off propane or gas tanks.
- Remove combustible exterior window shades.
- Turn on outside house lights
- Make fire suppression resources available for responders.

Ensure the safety of yourself and loved ones above all else.

FAMILY/PETS/LIVESTOCK:

- If possible evacuate family members not essential to preparing the home for wildfire.
- Activate Family plan and evac location.
- Bring protective clothing; such as long sleeve shirt, pants, good footwear, and face covering or N95 mask.
- Evacuate pets and livestock whenever possible, and never turn animals loose.

WHEN YOU LEAVE:

- Leave immediately if ordered.
- Place white towel on driveway or doorway with rock to indicate to responders that you have left.
- Don't wait for an evac order if you feel unsafe.
- Don't block roadways if you need to abandon vehicle pull to side of road.
- Proceed downhill away from fire if possible.
- Avoid evac by forest service road, or uphill into areas with unburned vegetation.



EMERGENCY EVACUATION KIT GRAB & GO BAG



Before an evacuation, you should have a grab & go bag completed for each family member. A grab & Go bag should be small enough to carry but can sustain you and your family for 6-12 hours. The following are some items that are recommended for this bag:

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| | FOOD | MED | ICAL | TOILETRIES | |
| | ☐ 1 Litre of water for each person ☐ High energy snacks | prescriptions Spare eyeglasses Necessary medical devices First aid kit SOTHER Headlamp and flashlight with extra batteries Radio (with batteries) Face coverings or N95 masks Change of clothing Extra cell phone and laptop chargers Communication devices; cell | | □ Toothbrush and toothpaste □ Soap and hand sanitizer □ Cleansing wipes □ Toilet paper □ Feminine hygiene products COMFORT ITEMS □ Some Family photos □ Small games or stuffy for children | |
| | IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS | | | | |
| | ☐ Identification ☐ Family emergency contact list ☐ Care card (s) ☐ Insurance papers and pictures of your house and contents ☐ Passport(s) ☐ Birth & Marriage Certificate(s) ☐ Spare keys for house/car ☐ Map marked with two evac routes | | | | |
| | BABY CARE | | PETS | | |
| | | iapers /ipes | ☐ Kennel(s) ☐ Water ☐ Medications | Leashes, Collar and ID TagFood and treats | |
| | OUT-OF-AREA CONTACTS | OUT-OF-AR | A CONTACTS | Evac Rou | ıtes Map |
| PHC | OUT-OF-AREA CONTACTS OUT-OF-AREA CONTACTS LOCATION 1: PHONE: NOTES: Rosebery New Denver Silverton Valhalia Perovincial Park | | | | |
| | ORESS: | LOCATION 2: | • • • • • • • • • • | Siocan Lemon Creek | Kokanee Glacier Provincial Park |
| Drive BC Highway Conditions Number 1 800-550-4997 | | | | | West Arm Provincial Park |