

# WILDFIRE

**To help keep you and our countryside safe, we have come up with a checklist for what to do if there is a fire.**



## **What to do:**

- Do not try and tackle the fire yourself
- Call 999 and request the Fire Service
- Give an accurate location of the fire, for example -
  - Name of the nearest road
  - Access points
  - Visible land marks (pubs, farms, power lines, etc)
  - Locally known names
  - Map grid references (Ordnance Survey ideally or an A to Z)
- Move to a safe area and contact the local land manager if possible
- If the fire is in a remote area, please meet emergency services at the access point so that you can guide them to the location



## **What not to do:**

- Do not discard cigarettes
- Do not have BBQs in unauthorised areas
- Never leave a BBQ unattended
- Do not start camp fires out in the countryside
- Do not discard rubbish - particularly reflective materials
- Do not burn off garden rubbish during hot periods or if you live close to woodland or heathland
- Do not have bonfires on hot days or during prolonged periods of dry weather



## **Remember, prevention is key!**

It has taken thousands of years to create the unique habitats that we have in the UK - a wildfire could destroy these in hours. Help Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service keep you safe this summer.

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