



OVERALL EVENT PROGRESS

64.4 %

## WILD FIRES

**Wildfires are common usually between May and September – earlier in some parts of Canada – and can cause extensive damage and put lives in danger.**

The Premier of Alberta, in an interview, stated that the amount of active wild fires is higher than usual this year. And with the Fort MacMurray event not far back in our past—I thought this information potentially helpful.

The best way to protect yourself and your family in case of a wild-fire is to follow these steps:

- Stay informed: Monitor weather, listen to local authorities and prepare to evacuate.
- Keep your vehicle fueled.
- Follow instructions to evacuate, bring your emergency kit.
- Only re-enter your home when instructed by officials and community leaders.

### Before

- The key to staying safe is to prepare and to have an emergency plan in place.
- Tune in to the radio or local news channels, and/or follow your local news outlet and emergency officials on social media for possible wildfire alerts.
- Make sure your home insurance covers for damage due to fire: Fact sheet: Fire insurance fundamentals

Find out if you live in an area where wildfires could potentially happen and learn more about the local alerts and evacuation procedures.

The Government of Canada’s Canadian Wildland Fire Information System is a fire management information system that monitors fire danger conditions across Canada. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, it includes an interactive fire map and up-to-date reports on the fire situation across Canada.

Know the difference between an evacuation alert and an evacuation order:

- An **Evacuation Order** means you are at risk and should evacuate the area immediately. Follow the routes specified by officials and move away from the fire.
- An **Evacuation Alert** means that you should be ready to leave on short notice.
- Visit [FireSmart Canada](https://www.fire-smart.ca) for information and to complete an assessment on how to protect your home and property.
- Learn fire safety techniques and teach them to members of your family.
- Keep your vehicle fueled, determine two routes out of your neighbourhood and practice your evacuation plan frequently.
- If you are on a farm/ranch, leaving livestock unsheltered is preferable, or if time and personal safety permits, evacuation from the danger zone should be considered.
- Talk with your family and neighbours about what you would do during a wildfire. Identify a safe place to gather.
- Have practice drills with your family, so you know what to do and are prepared.
- Make a personalized emergency kit. You should be prepared to be self-sustaining for at least three days.
- If you have already dipped into your emergency kit and food supply while staying at home, consider safely getting the supplies to replenish it following your local public health authorities’ guidelines for leaving your residence.
- Add hygiene items such as hand sanitizer and to your kit to keep your family safe during an evacuation. (cont’d on pg. 2)

### SCOTFORD WEATHER

Fri MAY 12

DAY 25° Feels 25° 11 km/h S 15 hr  
 17 km/h 0 mm  
 10% 0 cm

Sunny throughout the day.

NIGHT 10° Feels 8° 14 km/h S 0 mm  
 21 km/h 0 mm  
 10% 0 cm

Sunny in the evening remaining clear overnight.

TURNAROUND STATS	LAST 24 HRS	OVER-ALL
No Treatment Case	0	2
Occupational Illness	0	0
First Aid	1	12
Medical Aid	0	0
Recordable	0	0
Life-Saving Rule Violation	0	5
Near Miss	0	5
Motor Vehicle Incident	0	4
Dropped Object	0	0
Hi Potential Incident	0	0
SIF	0	0
Env (Other/Spill)	0	4
LOPC (<100kg)	0	0
LOPC (>100kg)	0	0
Environmental Non-Comp.	0	0



## STEP

### *Sleep Deprived?*

Sleep. We know we need it, we know how to do it, and yet we often struggle to get enough of it.

Sporting events - there's kind of a big one going on right now, family commitments, anxiety, too much caffeine, regular day to day chores...these can all cause us to get less than adequate, restful sleep.

When we are sleep deprived our judgement can be impaired. We can lose our patience easier, chose the quick way over the safe way, even have "micro sleeps" as we are driving!

We are all working hard, being awesome, and deserving of a good sleep.

"Take care of You" and make sure you get the sleep needed to stay safe.

## GOAL ZERO CUP



**Nomination:** "I would like to nominate the PEI/PE SRC/HMU team for the goal zero cup. They have an amazing attention to the PPE detail of their work and have done a lot of good things here."

### The Picture:

The group grew from the original HMU and SRC teams to include some of the RHC teams as well. Really showed the One Team mentality, and the great collaboration across the turnaround.

### Lessons Learned



Submissions for continual improvement.

## WILD FIRES CONT'D

### During

- Be prepared to evacuate at any time. If told to evacuate, do so.
- Monitor local radio stations for up-to-date information on the fire and possible road closures.
- Park your car, positioned forward out of the driveway. Keep car windows closed and have your valuables ready to be packed in your car should you need to evacuate.
- If you do not evacuate, close all windows and doors in the house to reduce smoke and debris entering your home. Follow instructions on how to minimize fire damage.
- Move all combustibles away from the house, including firewood and lawn furniture. Move any propane barbecues into the open, away from structures.

Visit [RedCross.ca](https://www.redcross.ca) to get further information.

I would like to nominate the Ed Ex Labourers, both day and night shift, in RHC. They have a heck of a job trying to keep that unit tidy with everything going on, and they are really doing a bang up job of it. It's a large footprint with the inclusion of heights, and they deserve kudos for keeping things under control.

