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A Newsletter from the Town of Princeton

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2020 BUSINESS LICENCES

Business Licence renewals for 2020 have been mailed out. If you have not received one, please contact Town Hall, 151 Vermilion Ave, by phone 250-295-3135 or by email admin@princeton.ca.

Any Business Licences that are not paid for by March 31, 2020 will be removed from our Business Listing on the Town of Princeton website. To have your business listed again on our website, your account must be paid in full.



2020 DOG LICENCES

2020 Dog license renewals have been mailed out and can be paid at Town Hall at a cost of \$10.00 for spayed or neutered dogs and \$30.00 for non-neutered or unspayed dogs.

Town of Princeton Bylaw No. 782 regulates the licensing of dogs, and states that any dog over the age of eight weeks must wear a valid license for the current year. A fine of \$75.00 will be charged for an unlicensed dog.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

There are simple things you can do to protect yourself and your loved ones.

The Princeton Emergency Program recommends that you are prepared for at least 72 hours and preferably a whole week. Creating a home emergency kit doesn't need to take long. Just follow the basic list below and store your collected supplies in an easy to access location.

- First-Aid kit
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Whistle to signal for help
- Cell phone with charger
- Cash in small bills
- A local map with your family meeting place identified
- Three-day supply of food and water
- Garbage bags
- Dust mask
- Seasonal clothing and footwear

For a complete list of supplies for your emergency

kit please visit www.PreparedBC.



EARTH DAY APRIL 22, 2020

The 50 year Anniversary of Earth Day is happening Wednesday, April 22.

Look for upcoming events and ways to participate in this years Earth Day.



BLUE BOX RECYCLING

Yes, the blue box recycling program is coming to Princeton! The order is being placed for all residential dwellings to receive one free blue box; which will take approximately 6-8 weeks before they arrive in Princeton.

As directed by Recycle BC, the change over from plastic bags to blue boxes for recycling is to happen by July 1, 2020. After July 1, any recycling placed at the curb in a blue bag will not be collected as it **must** be placed in a blue box.

The residents of Princeton will be notified when the blue boxes are ready for distribution and what the process will be for getting your blue box.



FIRE SMART FOR THE HOMEOWNER

THE RURAL REALITY

Wildland forest fires are capable of spreading at an astonishing rate. Crowning forest fires often spread at up to 5.5 kilometres per hour, with spotting as far as 2 kilometres ahead. Wind blown grass fires can spread at speeds up to 8.5 kilometres per hour.

If you live in or near a forested region, sooner or later you may have to contend with the spread of a wildfire. The best protection against loss, damage or injury due to wildfire is prevention.

You and your neighbours can reduce the hazards of Wildfire by following these simple preventative steps.

GET READY

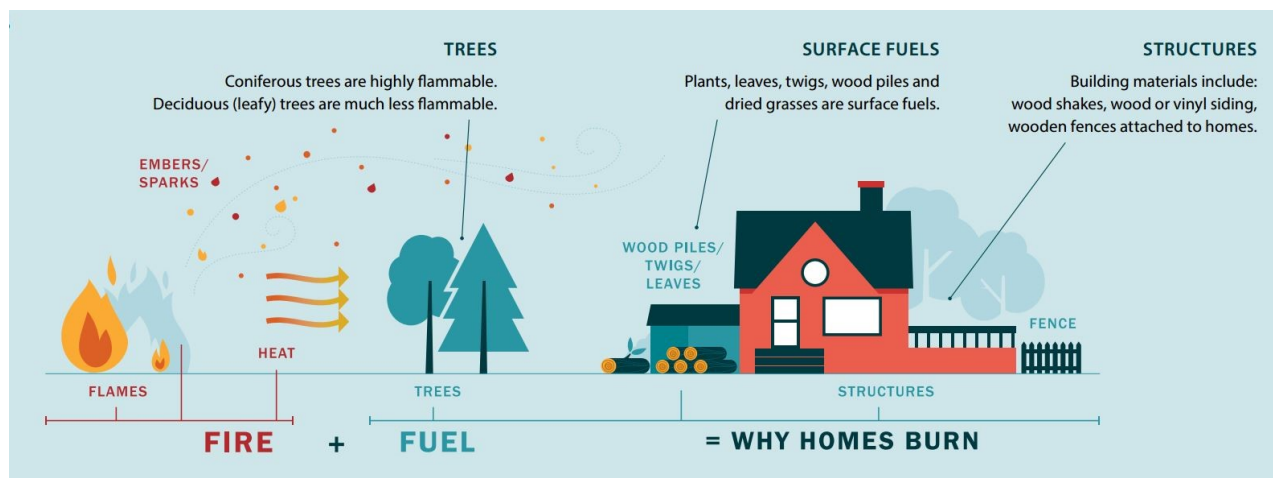
Properly preparing your home and community doesn't guarantee that you will not incur fire damage, but it does reduce the risks. Obtain insurance coverage for all property at risk from fire - government disaster financial assistance is limited and only covers uninsurable perils.

SITE PREPARATION

Any kind of vegetation is combustible. Mature trees, shrubs, grass, even your woodpile, are all potential fuels and can easily ignite (increasing the chance of building ignition and loss). Managing the space around your house and buildings is of prime importance.

DO YOU HAVE A CLEARED ZONE AROUND YOUR HOUSE AND BUILDINGS?

The first 10 metres of space around your home is your "First Priority". It's the most critical area to consider for fire protection. A good fuel free space gives firefighters a chance to save your home from an advancing fire.



Do your own Home and Site Hazard Assessment included in the Home Owners FireSmart Manual-Protect Your Home from Wildfire.

The FireSmart Manual is available at Town Hall, 151 Vermilion Avenue or online at www.bcwildfire.ca.

To report a forest fire call: 1-800-663-8555 or *5555 on your cell phone.

