

Summer Safety Tips



Keep these tips in mind as you and your family enjoy summer vacations, camping, family reunions, picnics and the Fourth of July.

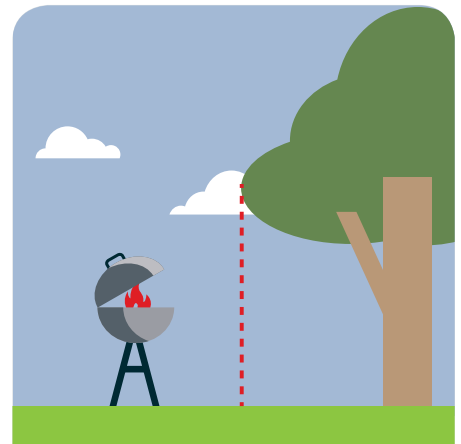
Fire safety



Build campfires at least 25 feet away from tents, shrubs and anything that can burn.



If you want to see fireworks, go to a public show put on by experts. Sparklers can reach 1,200 F and cause third-degree burns.



Use propane, charcoal and wood pellet barbecue grills outdoors only. Indoor use can cause a fire or carbon monoxide poisoning.

Place your grill well away from siding and deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches. Do not store or use a grill on a porch or balcony.



Use chimineas, outdoor fireplaces, and fire pits outdoors only and at least 10 feet away from your home or anything that can burn.



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Activity safety

An illustration of a boat on a launch ramp with a red 'X' over it, indicating a warning.

Never swim near a boat, marina or boat launching ramp.

An illustration of an orange life jacket with a U.S. Coast Guard logo and a green checkmark.

Always use U.S. Coast Guard-approved life safety jackets.

An illustration of an adult woman supervising a child in a pool, with a green checkmark.

Adults need to stay with children when they are around water.

An illustration of a pool deck with a green checkmark, indicating a safe practice.

Keep the pool and deck clear of floats, balls and toys after you get out of the pool.

An illustration of three people swimming together in a pool, with a green checkmark.

Always swim with a buddy.

An illustration of a cyclist wearing a helmet and bright orange clothes, with green checkmarks on the helmet, clothes, and bike.

Always wear a bike helmet and bright clothes when cycling so people can see you. Put reflectors on your bike.

Ride with both hands on the handlebars. Ride in single file with traffic. Stop at all stop signs and obey traffic lights.

