

# PREVENT A FIRE.

## SAFE OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT USE



## BEFORE YOU START

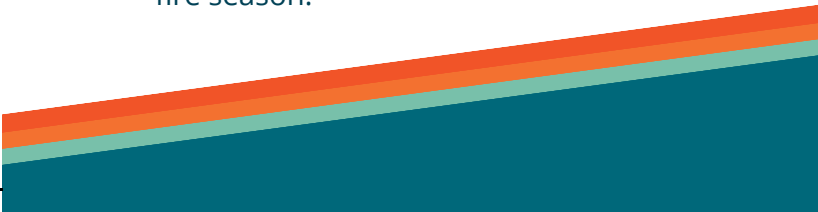
- Check with your local fire agency for equipment use restrictions.
- Make sure gas-powered equipment have spark arrestors.

## ALWAYS

- Use gas-powered equipment early in the day when the fire risk is lower.
- Avoid starting equipment near dry grass and plants.
- Avoid rocks and other solid objects that could cause a spark if a metal blade strikes them.
- Keep a fire extinguisher or hose nearby in case of a fire.
- Wear eye/ear protection and gloves.
- Use caution when welding or grinding metal, be aware of your surroundings.

## CONSIDER THIS

- Battery-powered equipment and weed trimmers with plastic line can be a good alternative to gas-powered equipment and may be allowed during fire season.





## FUEL UP SAFELY

- Let equipment cool before fueling.
- Store fuel in approved, sealed containers away from sunlight, heat, and ignition sources.
- Clean up gasoline spills with cat litter or commercial absorbents found at auto-supply stores. Discard clean-up materials in a metal container with a tight-fitting lid.
- Follow manufacturer instructions when charging and storing lithium batteries.



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