



## Chapter Five Camp Safety

### 5.010 Forest Fire Prevention

Fire season is from April 1st to October 31st each year. Fire Permits may be issued for fires, according to the terms of the permit.

Fires for cooking and warmth may be lit without a permit in most provinces - BUT - anyone lighting a fire for cooking or warmth must:

- ◆ select a site that is bare rock or mineral soil
- ◆ keep an area of at least three feet outside the edge of the fire cleared to bare rock or mineral soil
- ◆ do all necessary things to prevent the fire from spreading
- ◆ ensure that a responsible person tends the fire
- ◆ extinguish the fire before leaving the site

#### **Outdoor Incinerators** must be

- ◆ enclosed devices
- ◆ constructed of non-combustible material
- ◆ covered with a heavy duty screen with small holes
- ◆ situated not less than fifteen feet from forest or woods
- ◆ situated on bare rock or mineral soil

**Power Saws** must not be started within ten feet of the place where it is fuelled.

- ◆ Don't operate a power saw without a fire extinguisher handy. Don't put a hot power saw on inflammable material.

#### **Provincial Regulations**

Leaders planning camps should obtain specific information about provincial laws and regulations governing fires by campers.