

Summer Safety Tips: Grilling Out

According to the National Fire Protection Association, nearly 9,000 home fires each year involve grills. So, it's important to brush up on barbecue safety. Consider the following grilling safety tips:

Never leave your grill unattended. Fires can double in size every minute.

Keep children and pets at least 3 feet away from where food is being prepared or carried.

Check for leaks. Make it a habit to check the gas tank hose before using it for the first time each year.

Clean the grill regularly. Keep it clean by removing grease or fat buildup.

Grill outside on a flat surface. Don't grill in a garage, porch or other enclosed space, and stay at least 10 feet away from your house, garage or other structures.