



# FOREST FIRES : Call for extreme vigilance

While the forest fire situation continues to give cause for concern across Québec, the Service de sécurité incendie Mont-Tremblant (SSIMT) is forced to intervene every day to extinguish several vegetation fires started accidentally, mostly through negligence and failure to respect the ban on open-air fires.

SSIMT and Lac-Tremblant-Nord are therefore calling on the public not to let their guard down, despite the recent rainfall, and to <u>continue to exercise extreme caution in addition to strictly respecting the total ban on outdoor fires.</u>

<u>Translated quote</u>: « No one wants to be responsible for evacuating their municipality and decimating forests, and yet it's almost always humans who trigger these disasters. So, people of Mont-Tremblant and the surrounding area, please: **be part of the solution to forest fires, don't be the cause!** » urges SSIMT director Mathieu Darmana.

# Here's a reminder of the rules to follow to avoid being responsible for starting a forest fire:

# **Outdoor fires**

- Total prohibition, even in a device fitted with a spark screen.
- Be vigilant if you use a gas-burning appliance, and don't leave it unattended.

### **Fireworks**

• Strictly forbidden, <u>at all times</u>, on Mont-Tremblant and Lac-Tremblant-Nord's territory.

### **Cigarette and cigarette butts**

- Don't throw cigarette butts on the ground, in flowerpots or flowerbeds. Place them in an appropriate, safe container.
- Never throw cigarette butts out of your car window roadsides are particularly prone to brush fires.

### Outdoors

- Avoid being in the forest, even for sports or leisure activities.
- We strongly recommend that you postpone holding events in wooded areas, as well as any work in the forest, especially if it requires the use of machinery or vehicles.
- Please refrain from smoking in the forest, and if you do, bring in your cigarette butts and dispose of them in an appropriate, safe container.
- → For more information, visit the Ville de Mont-Tremblant website at <u>https://www.villedemont-tremblant.qc.ca/en/citizens/safety-and-security/fire-safety/safety-advice/open-air-fires</u>

Thank you for your attention!