

Grasmere Community Debris Bin Event

April 26 - May 12

Plus a FireSmart Educational BBQ on April 26 at 6 PM

The East Kootenay FireSmart™ Program will hold a Community Debris Bin Event in Grasmere, starting on April 26. This goal of this event is to give residents in Grasmere a convenient place to dispose of yard waste.

The bin will be located at the Grasmere Hall from April 26 - May 12 (Grasmere Dorr Rd & Letcher Rd).

A FireSmart Educational BBQ will also be held at the Grasmere Hall on April 26 starting at 6 PM. All residents are welcome to attend.

Some tips for cleaning up your home and property:

- Be sure to clean gutters and roofs.
- Clear under decks and other enclosed spaces.
- Remove smaller coniferous trees that could act as a "ladder" and allow fire to move into the treetops.
- Clean up woody debris on the ground.
- Remove branches within 2 metres of the ground.
- Prune dead branches.

Accepted:

- ✓ Tree limbs up to 5" diameter
- ✓ Brush
- ✓ Leaves
- ✓ Grass Trimmings
- ✓ Weeds/Needles

Not Accepted:

- ✗ Construction Materials
- ✗ Treated Wood
- ✗ Disposal Materials
- ✗ Root Balls
- ✗ Tree limbs over 5" in diameter

Important things to remember:

- The use of the debris bin is limited to those residents living within the neighbourhood hosting the event.
- Champions must monitor the state of their bins and the RDEK requires minimum 72 hours' notice for bin replacement. Bin replacement cannot be done on weekends.
- Bin events are meant to facilitate the FireSmarting of Home Ignition Zones surrounding pre-existing homes.

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