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RESIDENTS WARNED TO BE ON ALERT AS FIRE SEASON STARTS

The Department of Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs in Mpumalanga would like to remind all residents of the province, that the fire season has started and most areas are susceptible to run away fires. Residents are urged to be extremely cautious and to avoid situations that can lead to run away fires.

Residents are urged to make sure that they do not start fires in the open veld, all fires are controlled and that they make sure that the fires are completely put out before leaving that area and they must not throw away burning cigarette stubs in the open veld. Residents are also urged to take into account weather conditions before lighting a fire.

The department requests residents to be extremely careful when lighting up fires, heaters and other warming appliances, that they do not leave them on unattended and that they are put off when not in use. Fires and heating appliances used to warm ourselves can be a hazard if left unattended. A special word of caution is sent to parents, to make sure that children are not left alone with fires and heating appliances, especially because schools are closed.

The department has also instructed all municipalities to be on full alert and standby for any possible fires. Residents must report any fires as quick as possible to their closest fire brigade.

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