



TOWN OF HARTFORD

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Public Safety Announcement

Grill Safety

Barbecue Season is upon us! Here are a few things to keep in mind, to make sure we're all grilling safely this summer.

- Propane and charcoal grills should only ever be used outdoors.
- Make sure your grill is clear of the eaves of your home or garage, railings, overhanging branches, or any other potentially flammable materials.
 - Keep children and pets at least three feet from the grill.
 - Never leave a hot grill unattended.

Charcoal Grills:

- If you use a starter fluid, only use charcoal starter fluid.
- Only apply starter fluid to cold coals, never add fluid once the coals are warm.
 - Always let the coals completely cool, before disposing of them.

Propane Grills:

- Check all tanks and hoses for leaks annually.
- If the flame goes out while you are cooking, turn the grill and gas off, and wait 15 minutes before re-lighting it.
 - Always open the lid before turning on the gas, and igniting the grill.
- If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away and call the Fire Department.

Happy Fourth of July, and Safe Grilling!

Thanks for helping us keep our town safe for everyone!