



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK IN CANADA

It is Emergency Preparedness Week across Canada and the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is offering tips for property owners to better prepare themselves in the event of an emergency.

Insurance

There is no better time than the present to review your insurance coverage to determine what type of protection and coverage you have for your property and possessions. Your broker can review your policy with you to determine if your coverage is adequate and what you need to know about filing a claim. More information about insurance basics can be found online at the Insurance Brokers of Canada website at <http://www.ibc.ca/on/insurance-101>

House Numbering

In times of emergency, make it easy for first responders to find you. House numbers should be clear enough so that police, the fire department, paramedics, etc., can quickly locate properties in an emergency. House numbers are often the only way that first responders can identify their intended destinations. House numbers should be clearly identifiable day and night, with 8-10 cm being the suggested minimum height for the numbers.

Fire Smart

We live in a region prone to wildfire. Many of these fires occur in areas called the urban interface zone where homes, cabins and subdivisions are built into the forest landscape. Individual property owners can and should help reduce the risk of wildfire affecting their properties.

The FireSmart program is a national program designed to reduce interface fire risk to communities. In BC, the FireSmart program is administered by the BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Wildfire Management Branch. Download the FireSmart manual here <http://www.bit.ly/27EJ5Gb>

Coming Soon – Public Alerting System

The Regional District will soon be launching a public alerting system. Residents can stay up to date on emergency events in the Region by signing up to the program via the Regional District website. The system will enable you to be connected and informed with critical information quickly during an emergency situation, such as a forest fire. Follow the Regional District on Facebook for more updates when the self-registration page will be launched.

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is committed to safeguarding our communities through the provision of emergency management and preparedness

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