

Wildfire Season is here

Are you prepared for smoke?

The smoke from regional fires in recent years have reminded us that we must be ready for smoke, regardless of when the fire strikes. In July, do the following so you are ready for excessive smoke:

- Visit smokewiseashland.org to see Ashland's latest air quality conditions and learn options to protect your health during times of smoke.
- Purchase the right filters for your air filtration system. During times of smoke, use HEPA or MERV 13 filters at the furnace in the return air filter box. Purchase spare filters, as you may need to change them during a smoke event.
- Consider purchasing a residential air purifier unit, especially if you have health sensitivities to smoke. These are available at local hardware stores and online.
- Watch the video on smokewiseashland.org to see the correct way to put on a mask. Wear an N95 or N100 as available to protect from particulates produced by smoke.
- Install weather stripping if you have leaky doors or windows to reduce the amount of smoke that enters your home.
- Window air conditioning units should not be used during a smoke event, as they cannot filter out unhealthy smoky air. Be ready to cover and seal the sides if needed.

APRIL

Harden your home!
to embers and flames

MAY

Be Firewise!
Keep your yard lean, clean and green

JUNE

Be Ready!
Prepare to evacuate or shelter in place

JULY

Be Smokewise!
Prepare for smoke



Learn more online:
fireadaptedashland.org

