

Dear Parkview Homeowner:

We have done much to reduce fire risk around the Parkview complex, but each of us must do our part to keep our families, our homes, and our neighbors safe.

**With severe drought and a new fire season upon us, we want remind everyone to be overly-diligent and aware of fire risks to our community and suggest a couple of things to do right now:**

### Home Safety Tips

- **Assemble a "go kit"** for each person in your household. [FIRESafe MARIN](#) has an excellent checklist of what to include. Keep separate kits in your car.
- Check your storage area and other places to **make sure you don't have fuel or other hazardous or flammable materials** in a dangerous place. (Our CC&Rs have specific rules on this, but the main thing is to please use common sense.)
- **Have a plan for evacuation and family communication.** Where would you go if you must evacuate? How would family members communicate if you are separated (and if normal communications channels are interrupted?)

### BBQ's in our Complex

- **Using barbecue grills of any kind (including gas or charcoal) on balconies, decks, patios or anywhere else within 10 feet of a structure is dangerous and a fire hazard.** See attached Fire Code from Central Marin Fire Department.

**If you want to cook outside, please follow these suggested guidelines:**

- Absolutely NO CHARCOAL!
- Please keep propane tanks 10 feet from overhangs and structures at all times.
- Consider converting your gas grill to use a [1-pound propane tank](#) instead of the typical 25-pound tanks with an [adapter](#).

Please also remember that Local Law prohibits any kind of smoking anywhere on the Parkview HOA property.

There are many resources for fire and other hazard mitigation, family safety planning and emergency response information. A good starting point is [Ready.gov](http://Ready.gov) where you will find a library of reference materials, checklists, videos and many useful preparedness tools.

**Thank you for doing your part to keep our community safe.**

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