
FireSmart™ Power Hour - Program Updates & Upcoming Campaigns (May)

Question Report

#1 Is there a recommended age range for the Ember materials?

A: Hi - great question, it depends on the resource! Amanda is answering the question live now but each resource has a targeted age range. For example; the colouring book is for ages 4-8, but the home assessment form is suitable for high schoolers as well!

#2 If we had permissions granted for Ember last year, do we need to apply for permission again each year? Thanks!

A: The FireSmart Canada requirements for licensing is that approvals are only valid for one calendar year, so yes please apply again when possible.

#3 To request Ember, would the only pick-up locations be at the head office of each Fire Centre?

A: Hi - that does depend on the suite and the timing. Typically the suites live at each Fire Centre or Head Office, however if the suite is on the move there is no reason we can't help coordinate a drop off or pick up!

#4 Are there more LFR workshops planned in the coming weeks/months?

A: Hi - all LFRs that are planned are posted on the website. The next LFR will likely be in the fall.

#5 is there a plan to create a business card like the indigenous training one for neighbourhood champions?

A: Great idea and a quick win! We'll get that designed and on the LFR Den to download and populate shortly.

#6 How are the >30 nurseries to date addressing the dreaded bark mulch solution for landscaping? In other words, are they being encouraged NOT to sell bark mulch anymore?

A: Hi - great question. Part of our partnership with landscaping companies is educating their staff on what is FireSmart and what isn't around private property. Mulch is definitely an important consideration and I assure you there are no FireSmart Plant tags being attached to it!

#7 Can you produce a campaign to encourage a behaviour change of using bark mulch??

A: Thanks! I'll make sure he adds it to the work plan!

#8 Can you add removing junipers to the campaign too.

A: Great Point!

#9 We had a Danger Rating Sign made by a local sign company in town. We follow the link that is for our area, from SE Wildfire Services.

#10 How do we apply for more funding that was advertised on the News?

#11 Does your local government offer the FireSmart Rebate Program, which is part of the CRIP funding from the Province of BC? That's where homeowners can get a rebate of up to \$500 of matching funds.