



## REDUCING RISK **BARBECUE SAFETY**

It's time for fun outdoors! Most of us will be getting out the barbecue grills pretty soon, so here are some friendly do's and don'ts to help you enjoy those hamburgers and hot dogs while still staying safe and burn free.

## You should...

- Keep your grill far from anything that will catch fire, including siding and porch or deck railings.
- Wear an apron and oven mitts to protect your skin.
- Stay with the grill when it is lit.
- Use the appropriate starter fluids for your grill.
- Soak coals in water before discarding them in a fireproof receptacle.
- Store fuel tanks in approved containers away from children and pets.

## But you shouldn't...

- Put your grill on dry grass, leaves or vegetation that is likely to cause a fire.
- Wear loose, ill-fitting clothing.
- Let children or pets near the grill when lit.
- Add liquid fuel including gasoline or lighter fluid.
- Dump hot coals out on the ground and/or near your home.
- Leave tanks, grills, or tools unattended where little fingers can get to them.

