

Safe and proper use of barbecues

A barbecue should be a safe and enjoyable experience, but it's all too easy to be distracted when you have friends and family around you whilst cooking. To avoid injuries and damage to property, please follow these simple precautions.

General safety

- Domestic-type barbecues are permitted.
- Commercial-type barbecues, disposable barbecues, or fire pits are not permitted.
- Ensure the barbecue is on a flat, level surface away from caravans, gas cylinders, storage boxes, trees and shrubs.
- Keep children, garden games and pets well away from the cooking area.
- Never leave the barbecue unattended.
- Keep a water, or dry powder extinguisher nearby for emergencies.
- Ensure the barbecue is cool before attempting to move it.

Charcoal barbecues

- Only use enough charcoal to cover the base to a depth of about 50mm.
- Only use recognised fire lighters or starter fuel, and only on cold coals. Use the minimum necessary and never use petrol.
- Ensure the barbecue is properly extinguished after use.
- **Once the coals have cooled, please bag and dispose of them at one of the refuse points throughout the Park.**

Gas barbecues

- Make sure the tap is turned off before changing the gas cylinder.
- Change gas cylinders outdoors.
- If you suspect a leak to the gas cylinder or pipework, do not use. Please ensure that all leaks are repaired before use.
- After cooking, turn off the gas cylinder before turning off the gas at the controls to ensure that any residual gas in the pipework is used-up.

