How do I know if my smoking material receptacle meets the recommendations?

Smoking Material Receptacles must be:
- Designed for the exterior of buildings
- Covered to prevent embers from blowing out of the container
- Built of non-combustible materials
- Free standing or wall mounted

Where can I get an appropriate smoking material receptacle?

There are a variety of receptacles designed for exterior use for purchase from numerous companies. Online search keywords “outside smoking material receptacles”

The goal of Edmonton Fire Rescue Services’ “Stub it Right, Don’t Ignite” campaign is to increase the public’s awareness of proper disposal of smoking materials and prevent future fires.

For more information please contact:
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Fires caused by smokers are 100% preventable

Edmonton Fire Rescue Services is committed to protecting life, property and the environment.
The City of Edmonton’s Fire Rescue Services (EFRS) has launched an important life and property saving campaign to fight fires caused by the improper disposal of smoking materials and to raise awareness of the devastating impacts these fires have on communities. Edmontonians are asked to exercise proper fire prevention practices at all times.

**Why is it so important to properly dispose of smoking materials?**

Since 2010, the improper disposal of smoking materials has caused more than $46 million in damages across Edmonton. These dangerous fires are completely preventable. It is very important for people to fully understand the risk their actions may cause to themselves and others.

Smoking outside has become more widespread, and in order to prevent future fires caused by smoking materials, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services is strongly urging property owners, agents and tenants to adopt fire preventative measures on the balcony areas of their buildings.

**What is my role in the Stub it Right, Don’t Ignite campaign?**

- Property owners and agents are being asked to voluntarily determine if each balcony of their building(s) is considered to be a smoking or a non-smoking area.
- On balconies deemed smoking areas, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services is encouraging owners and agents to provide an ashtray. EFRS recommends these ashtrays be weather resistant enclosed receptacles, designed for smoking materials.
- On balconies deemed non-smoking areas, Edmonton Fire Rescue Services is encouraging owners or agents to install a “No Smoking” sign or decal where it can be seen in plain sight.