

Suggested Media Instructions:

Please run at your discretion until the end of grass Fire season

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PUBLIC SAFETY UNIT ANNOUNCEMENT

Starting Grass Fires is Arson

(Kahnawake – 18, Onerahtókha/April 2019) The Public Safety Unit of the Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke, in conjunction with the Kahnawake Fire Brigade and Kahnawake Peacekeepers, would like to remind all community members about the dangers of setting grass fires.

Contrary to popular belief, burning the grass **does not result in making the grass greener or grow quicker**. In fact, it increases the possibility that the fire could become uncontrollable and do more damage to property. Even worse, emergency workers could be injured while responding to a very preventable situation, tying up community resources unnecessarily.

Starting grass fires is arson, and arson is a crime. If someone is seen starting fires, or to report a fire, please contact the **Peacekeepers at (450) 632-6505**. Any damage to property is the responsibility of the arsonist.

For more information on grass fires contact the Kahnawake Fire Brigade at (450) 632-2010 or the Public Safety Unit at (450) 632-0635.