

# Wildland Firefighting Camps and COVID-19

Wildfires are dangerous and pose several hazards to firefighters. COVID-19 is another hazard wildland firefighters must be aware of. Here are actions firefighters can take to prevent the spread of COVID-19 when mobilized to a wildland fire:



Know the symptoms of COVID-19 and self-monitor for symptoms daily



Wear a cloth mask during non-arduous fire operations when interacting with others outside your module or crew



Stay at least six feet apart from others outside your module or crew, when possible



Wash your hands often with soap & water for at least 20 seconds, especially if visibly dirty

- If soap and water are not available, try to remove visible dirt and grime with a wipe before using hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol



- Avoid sharing dishes, cups, eating utensils, and canteens unless properly sanitized between uses
- Avoid sharing personal items and keep personal items in a clean, safe place (e.g., bag, tote)



Circulate fresh air when it is not smoky outside by opening windows and using fans to ventilate enclosed areas like tents, dining facilities, personal spaces, and showers



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