THE SUMMER IS HERE and it is the time of year when we like to enjoy a Barbecue.

Here are some top tips on how to Barbecue safely.



Barbecues are the cause of many hundreds of accidents that occur in the garden each year. An estimated 1,800 people visited A&E in the UK having had an accident involving a barbecue.

The vast majority of barbecue accidents happened in a home setting.

Some of the accidents lead to very serious burns, usually as a result of using an accelerant such as petrol to light the fuel.









Barbecue SAFETY Advice and

information

Top Tips

BBQ's are for outdoor purposes only, you must never light a BBQ indoors or in an enclosed space such as a balcony or communal walkway.

- When choosing a barbecue, STABILITY IS ESSENTIAL ensure the one you choose is strong and sturdy
- Check your barbecue is in GOOD WORKING ORDER
- CONSIDER THE LOCATION ground level, away from fences, sheds, overhanging trees and away from your home
- NEVER LIGHT a barbecue in an enclosed space
- PREPARE THE BARBECUE CORRECTLY to ensure it is at the right temperature by the time you want to cook. No one wants food poisoning.
- NEVER POUR PETROL OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF ACCELERANTS on to a barbecue. Some of the most serious barbecue related accidents happen when people do this
- REMEMBER THAT THE METAL PARTS OF A BARBECUE CAN BECOME HOT
 don't try to move it until it has fully cooled down
- NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN AND PETS UNSUPERVISED NEAR A BARBECUE
- Make sure the barbecue is FULLY EXTINGUISHED BEFORE YOU LEAVE IT
- When using a tin foil disposable barbecue ALWAYS FOLLOW THE MANUFACTURERS GUIDELINES for SAFE USE, NEVER USE INDOORS. TAKE CARE WHEN DISCARDING of a disposable barbecue, or coals -ENSURE THEY HAVE FULLY COOLED DOWN before placing them in a bin.

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