

Safety measures guide

This guide has been prepared to help you be better prepared in the event of an emergency. These suggestions are based on experience and common sense but are not official. Please check with the Town administration if you need further information.

As you know, most cottages are only accessible by boat. It can be difficult to know what to do in an emergency, given that ambulance crews don't have boats to get to cottages on the lake. The Town recommends that you at least take the following preventive measures:

In case of emergency:

- First and foremost, call 9-1-1 to make sure an ambulance will be available when you arrive at the landing.

Prevention:

- Make sure you have a 72-hour emergency kit on hand.
- You'll find the list recommended by the Red Cross by clicking on this link.
- Always keep an emergency contact list on hand, so you can easily get in touch with other residents who may be able to help.
- You can also plan with your neighbors to borrow a boat in case of emergency, for example, if your own boat breaks down.
- Make sure you have a first-aid kit on site.
 - In case of emergency, we have emergency kits available at Town Hall.
- It's important to know basic first aid. Check with the administration to find out when training will be available.
- Make sure you have hoses and a fire pump, in case of fire.
- Make sure you have functional communication tools within reach (cell phone or walkietalkie).



Work and renovations:

- Always carry out renovations or work when at least two people are present.

Fire pumps and defibrillators:

5 fire pumps and 4 defibrillators are available around the lake. To locate the fire pumps and defibrillators, please click on <u>this link.</u>

The 5 fire pumps are located in boxes with that display this sign.

You will find instructions for starting up the fire pumps by clicking on <u>this link.</u>



Boating safety:

Make sure you comply with the requirements of the Canadian Safe Boating Guide. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Campfires:

Always check with the Town to make sure you have your burning permit.

Campfires to keep mosquitoes away or to brighten up a picnic or country party must be no larger than 1 metre by 1 metre and no more than 1 metre high and must be surrounded by non-combustible materials.

A burning permit is not required for a campfire, but it is forbidden to build a fire outdoors on days when the wind speed exceeds 25 km/hour.

The person in charge of the fire must always supervise it, and make sure that it is completely extinguished with water before leaving the site.

Before any fire, check with SOPFEU to see if weather conditions permit by clicking on this link.

Make sure you always have fire extinguishing equipment on hand.

Contacts:

**In case of emergency, please dial 911.

Here is a list of people to contact at the Town:

Luc Trépanier, Mayor – Civil Security Communications Manager <u>maire@barkmere.ca</u> 819 681-3374 Poste : 5100



Martin Paul Gélinas, Director general – Municipal Civil Security Coordinator <u>dg@barkmere.ca</u> 819 681-3374 Poste : 5101

Annie Larocque, Inspector and Assistant Director - Substitute Municipal Civil Security Coordinator inspecteur@barkmere.ca 819 681-3374 Poste: 5103

Shanny Larose, Administrative assistant <u>communications@barkmere.ca</u> 819 681-3374 Poste : 5102

For any situation requiring evacuation, please notify the Town of your departure to avoid having to go looking for you.

In the event of an emergency, the community center can serve as an emergency center.

You must bring your emergency bag and personal belongings with you.

The Town hall has at its disposal :

- generator;
- heating;
- toilets;
- shower;
- kitchen;
- internet;
- electricity for charging communication devices;
- towel, soap, blankets in limited quantities