



FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION PROGRAM



Program Goals

Our Fire Prevention and Protection Program **provides a variety of services to enhance First Nations' capacity for fire prevention planning and fire response.**

Along with helping Nations to build safer communities, the program supports First Nations progress along ISC's tiered approach for meeting [Level of Service Standards \(LOSS\) for Fire Protection Services.](#)

We offer our standard services to First Nations across Alberta. **We are also responsive to individual Nations' needs and can customize our service delivery accordingly.**



Our standard services include:



Fire Department Assessments

Understanding your community's fire protection and prevention readiness helps to address gaps and plan for the future

- » We conduct **assessments of fire resources** (hall, equipment) and firefighter capacity under ISC's LOSS approach for Fire Protection Services.
 - » Tier 1 - Prevention and Education
 - » Tier 2 - Capacity Development and Training
 - » Tier 3 - Capital Investments
- » We assess Fire Protection Planning Risks and **help address planning gaps**.
- » We assess fire flow and suppression capabilities, including **hydrant flow testing**.

Alarm and Sprinkler System Inspections

Ensuring sprinklers and alarms are functioning properly can save lives during a fire event

- » We **inspect and certify sprinkler and alarm systems** in major buildings including schools, childcare facilities, administrative buildings, community centres, and public works facilities.
- » Industry standard reporting is provided and for any systems in need of repair, **a class D estimate is provided**.

Fire and Life Safety Code Inspections:

The National Fire Codes are designed to reduce structural damage and preserve life.

- » Our certified and registered **inspectors inspect buildings to identify potential fire safety hazards**. A summary report and recommendations are provided to the Nation.

Firefighter Training

Trained fire staff and volunteers are a critical component of fire protection and prevention.

- » We provide multiple levels of National Fire Protection Association - **certified training** across Alberta, as well as introductory training courses

Services



Community Public Engagement

Fire prevention awareness starts at home

- » We offer school presentations, community information sessions, and **online learning opportunities for youth and community members.**

First Nations Fire Chiefs' Workshop

Ongoing training and networking help Fire Chiefs to build and retain a functional fire department

- » Our annual Fire Chiefs' Workshop **brings in experts in various fields for knowledge sharing** and professional development for fire department leadership.

Fire Origin, Cause, and Circumstance Investigations

Despite best efforts, fire losses happen.

- » At the Nation's request, our certified and registered inspectors will **conduct fire cause and origin determination inspections** in collaboration with the appropriate authorities.

By request only and funding permitting, we are available to assist Nations with:

- » Occupancy Loads as per the National Building Codes
- » Fire Truck Specification and Design Assistance
- » Fire Equipment Purchasing Recommendations
- » Fire Service Governance Documents



How do Nations use these services?



I want to ...	Lower my community's risk of a fire	Build my Fire Department's capacity to respond to an emergency.	Create a workplan for improving building safety.	Identify H&S spending priorities for the upcoming years.	Ensure my buildings are up to code.	Build my skills and awareness in firefighting and prevention.
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Alarm and Sprinkler System Inspections						
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Community Public Engagement						
Fire Chief's Workshop						
Fire Investigations						

How do these services help...



Fire Fighters and Fire Chiefs?

- » Fire Department Assessments help Fire Chiefs address gaps in their fire program, and help identify areas that are working well
- » Fire Fighters need access to the most relevant training that is appropriate to their level in order to achieve their highest potential

First Nation Leadership?

- » Understand a community's fire risk helps leadership to identify spending priorities and effectively plan for the future
- » Accurate assessment and data can inform conversations with funders

Community Members?

- » Public awareness about fire safety is one of the first lines of defense in fire prevention
- » Youth or community members who are interested in learning more about a career in fire can explore the introductory courses.

Who do I contact?



For more information about our services, please contact:

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