Don’t Fuel the Fire: Gasoline

DO

- Use gasoline outdoors only, and store in cool, well-ventilated areas
- Start charcoal grills only with fluid labeled as “charcoal starter fluid”
- Keep gasoline locked up, and out of the reach of children
- Use containers that have been listed, labeled or approved for gasoline
- Fill gas-powered equipment when engines are cool

DO NOT

- Siphon gasoline by mouth
- Use gasoline near a flame source, such as burning leaves or brush
- Induce vomiting if gasoline is swallowed
- Use gasoline as a cleaning fluid or solvent
- Store gasoline in the house
- Dispense gasoline into a portable container while it is located inside the vehicle, or pick-up truck bed

THE FACTS

- Flammable liquid fires result in an estimated 454 civilian deaths, 3,910 injuries, and $1.5 billion in direct property damage per year (NFPA 2014)
- Gasoline is an extremely flammable liquid and vapor - the fumes are capable of ignition up to 12 feet from a pooled source

THE FIX

If a burn injury does happen...

1) Cool the burn with COOL (not cold) water to stop the burning process
2) Remove any clothing, diapers and jewelry around the injured area
3) Cover the area with clean, loose bandages
4) Seek medical attention

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