

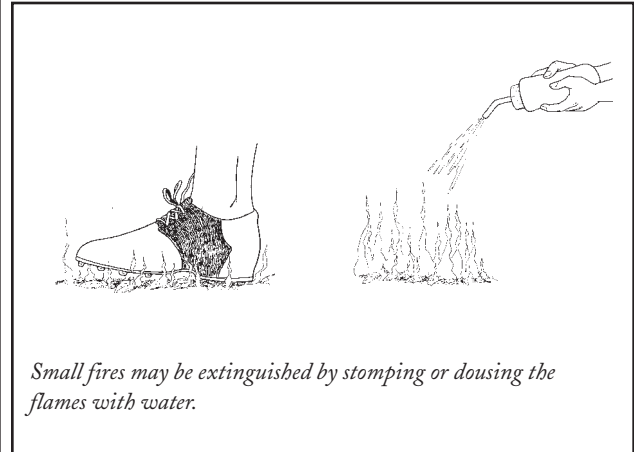
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HOW TO PUT OUT A CIGAR BRUSH FIRE

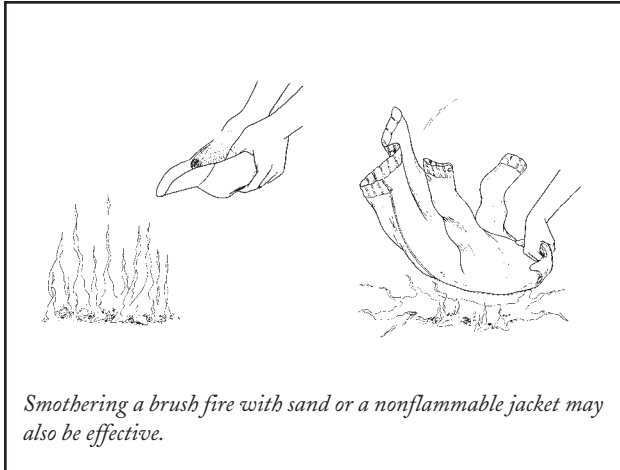
Brush fires can be started in many ways, but on golf courses, cigars pose a significant risk.

1 Stomp out the fire if it is small enough.
Flames that are larger than your shoe will not be safe to stomp out.

2 Immediately throw water or any other nonflammable liquid on the fire.
Use water from a thermos or cooler, a sports drink, or beer (which has a high water content). Do not use hard liquor, which may only increase the fire's strength.



Small fires may be extinguished by stomping or dousing the flames with water.



- 3** **Throw dirt or sand on any remaining flames.**
- 4** **Cover the fire and embers completely with a non-flammable blanket or jacket.**

Suffocate a fire that is just beginning—but be careful not to fan the flames or feed easily flammable material to the fire.
- 5** **Once the fire appears to be out, stomp on the embers to make certain they are no longer burning.**
- 6** **If the fire is still burning, use a cell phone to call the fire department directly—not the clubhouse.**

If you have been unable to douse the flames and you do not have a cell phone, head immediately to the clubhouse or an emergency phone to call for help.

HOW TO AVOID STARTING A FIRE

- 1** **Always carry a cup or bottle of water if you are smoking on the course.**

You can use this to quickly extinguish any embers or fires before they get out of control.
- 2** **Never puff on a cigar or cigarette while riding in a golf cart.**

The ember, carried by the breeze, may blow into leaves or dried grass, or onto flammable clothing.
- 3** **After lighting a cigar or cigarette, make certain that the match is cold, not just out.**

Hold it until it is cold, then break it so that you hold the charred portion before throwing it away.
- 4** **When you are finished smoking, grind out your cigar in the dirt or sand, or drown the cigar in water.**

Cover the butt with dirt. Never put out your cigar or cigarette by rubbing it against a stump, log, or other flammable object.