

EDELWEISS (EMC) WILDFIRE ALERT SYSTEM—PLEASE PLAY YOUR PART

System active Monday August 10

Download these PDF instructions [HERE](#)

TO REPORT A FIRE WITHIN OR NEAR EDELWEISS, CALL 911 FIRST

Give 911 your name, phone number, and the fire location. Include the fire location address if known or describe the distance and direction from notable landmarks.

THEN CALL EMC FIRE REPORTING AT 855-601-0338

Give the Fire Alert Coordinator the same information you gave to 911; your name, phone number, and the fire location. ***Your call may save lives.***

Please add **EMC FIRE REPORTING AT 855-601-0338** to your contacts and favorites.

You will receive simultaneous emergency alerts as phone calls, texts and emails

To avoid missing an alert, add EMC Fire Alerts to your phone contacts and favorites:

Calls come from 509-886-3625

Texts come from 855-678-3129 or 561-935-5010

Emails come from alerts@dmc.me

Easy steps to import and create the above contact into your phone or computer are listed on the EMC FireWise website, [HERE](#).

Adding these numbers and the email address to your contacts and favorites will help prevent calls from being screened as spam and usually allows calls to ring through when your phone is set to Do Not Disturb.

If you use a call screener, like Verizon Call Filter, and/or an email cleaner, like CleanEmail, add the EMC Fire Alerts numbers and alerts@dmc.me to your screening program so alerts are not blocked.

REGISTER FOR Okanogan County Emergency Management ALERTS?

If you haven't done so already, register for Okanogan County Emergency Management alerts [here](#).

We recommend downloading the [WatchDuty](#) app on your phone to track local fires. You can locate [WatchDuty](#) in the Apple or Android App stores.

FIRE ALERT COORDINATORS

Five EMC community members have volunteered to be Fire Alert Coordinators. They have received specialized training. After an emergency call is received, one of the coordinators will initiate an Edelweiss Wildfire alert with details about the fire, including instructions to evacuate, if necessary. This notice may come before you hear from Okanogan County Emergency Management. This is an imperfect system. You may be out of reception or there may be a power outage.

FIRE ALERT SYSTEM Testing Dates: Thursday August 13 and Thursday August 20

After you have had some time to digest the information in this email, we will test the EMC alert system to ensure it is functioning well and to detect missing emails and phone numbers.

On the two test dates the EMC alert system Project Coordinator, Jason Edwards, will send phone, text, and email test messages to all Edelweiss members in our system. Two test days, one week apart allows us to make system error corrections.

If you do not receive all three test contacts (phone, text, and email) by 1:15 p.m. on test days, Please email [Jason](mailto:jason@emcfirewisewebmaster@gmail.com) at [emcfirewisewebmaster@gmail.com](mailto:jason@emcfirewisewebmaster@gmail.com) with full details of your situation. The current database is missing many correct phone numbers and emails.

Thank you for your assistance and patience during this process.

Other than updating your contact information and/or adding other family members to the Alert System, please email [Larry Mauksch](mailto:larry@emcfirewisewebmaster@gmail.com), with your other concerns or questions.

With appreciation for your participation and support.

Larry Mauksch, Chair, Edelweiss Evacuation Committee

Jason Edwards, Firewise Committee Member and Alert System Coordinator

Evacuation Committee Members: Nicki McCullough, Becky Sproat, Ed Melvin, Doug Swoish