

# 5: Minimize Campfire Impacts

## CAMPFIRES



**A TRUE LEAVE NO TRACE CAMPFIRE SHOULD LEAVE  
VIRTUALLY NO SIGN OF ITS EXISTENCE.**

- **Where fires are permitted, use an established fire ring, pan or mound fire.**
- **Do not scar rocks or overhangs.**
- **Gather sticks no larger than an adults wrist.**
- **Do not snap branches off live, dead, or downed trees.**
- **Put out campfires completely. Remove and pack out all unburned fuel and trash from ashes.**
- **Scatter the cool ashes over a wide area well away from camp.**

## **DISADVANTAGES:**

- **Fires may not be permitted.**
- **There may not be any fuel.**
- **The weather may make it difficult to have a fire.**
- **There is more work required to build, use and clean-up after a fire.**

