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## Active Forest Fires



**Media Inquiries:** This page provides up-to-date information on forest fires. For additional information not available on this page, please contact the Provincial Forest Fire Duty Officer from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. daily at 709-632-1153.

## Forest Fire Activity Data

General Location	Fire Number	Start Date	Estimated Fire Size (Hectares)	Fire Status	Resources Assigned
Point Leamington	135 (Eastern Region)	July 18, 2017	3.0	U/C	Monitoring
Mint Brook	137 (Eastern Region)	July 19, 2017	1.5	U/C	Monitoring
Paradise	138 (Eastern Region)	July 19, 2017	1.8	U/C	Monitoring

Fires Recorded as of	Number of Fires	Area Size (Hectares)
July 20, 2017	52	659.7

## Definitions

### Fire Status:

The Fire Status is an indication of the fire's current condition and is categorized as Out of Control (O/C), Contained (C), or Under Control (U/C)

- Out-of-Control (O/C): A wildfire not responding or only responding on a limited basis to suppression action such that the perimeter spread is not being contained.
- Contained (C): Indicates that with currently committed resources, sufficient suppression action has been taken that the wildfire is not likely to spread beyond existent or predetermined boundaries under prevailing and forecasting conditions.
- Under Control (U/C): A wildfire having received sufficient suppression action to ensure no further spread of the fire.

### Hot Spot:

A small area of smouldering or glowing combustion, which may be exhibiting smoke, located on or within the wildfire perimeter; a term commonly used during the mop-up stage of a fire.

**Hectare (ha.):**

The hectare is the metric unit of area measurement and can be considered in the following ways:

- 1 hectare = 100 metres by 100 metres or 0.01 km<sup>2</sup>
- 1 hectare = 2.47 acres

*Note: Estimated Area - Fire size is usually just an estimate until after the fire is out, when it can be properly measured. Often, an accurate estimate is difficult due to the smoke that can accompany a large active fire. This is why a fire can end up being much bigger, or much smaller than originally estimated.*