Firefighters face a higher risk of cancer.

Examples of occupational exposures include:

- Combustible materials
- Asbestos
- Smoke
- Flame retardants
- Particulate matters
- UV radiation
- Heat
- Diesel exhaust fumes



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Canadian Guidelines and Resources for Cancer Detection in Firefighters

From 2026-2029, the McMaster Cochrane Canada and GRADE Centres will develop evidence-based guidelines and resources for health professionals, firefighters and policymakers.

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