

Open Burning Requirements

- Call 541-205-4934 to let the Fire Department know you are burning...Leave your address and phone number if no answer.
- Call Klamath County Air Quality 541-882-BURN (2876)
- All open burning needs to be monitored at all times
- A shovel, rake, garden hose with water, must be available at all times
- Burning is allowed during day light hours only
- No burning on days with an inversion layer and / or fog
- No burning during high wind events
- All open burning must be extinguished if the burn is unattended
- Yard debris pile cannot exceed 3 feet in height and 6 feet in diameter
- Keep burn piles 20 feet from trees or vegetation, with 50 feet of clearance from buildings. Clear a minimum of 15 feet around the burn pile
- Land clearing debris burning must obtain a special permit
- Agricultural burns must obtain a special permit
- Building / Demolition burns must obtain a special permit

Recreational Fire

Recreational fire or barbeques, you may only burn the following:

- · Clean, cut or split fire wood
- Charcoal briquettes
- No larger than 2 feet in diameter by 1 foot in height

Burn Barrel Requirements

- Clear burnable material 10 feet from around the base of the barrel
- Locate barrel at least 15 feet away from buildings and/or combustible materials
- Fire must be monitored at all times
- · A shovel, rake, garden hose with water, must be available at all times
- Burning during daylight hours only
- No burning during days with an inversion layer and/or fog
- All burning must be extinguished if the burn is unattended
- No burning during high wind events
- No burning during Fire Season



Prohibited to Burn

It is illegal to burn the following materials in the State of Oregon:

- · Anything producing a noxious odor
- Plastics
- Man-made materials
- Petroleum products
- Rubber
- Dead animals
- Food service and industrial waste
- Any wet material
- Building / demolition material (Special permit required)

Permitted to Burn

- Dry paper
- Dry clean lumber
- Dry vegetation (limbs, needles, brush, grass)
- Timber slash
- Agricultural debris
- Field burning

Special Occasion Fires

All special occasion fire request requires a burn permit from the Fire District. This includes:

- Ceremonial
- Religious
- Special Events

Safety Tips for Open Debris Burning

In addition to the burning requirements, these tips will help you conduct safe burning.

- Burn early in the day when it is cool, humidity is higher and winds are light. (Winds tend to increase in the afternoon / evening)
- · Keep piles small and controllable
- Do not burn more that you are capable of controlling
- · After fire is out, fire must be monitored for potential rekindle
- Cover / tarp piles to keep dry

Example of an approved open debris pile:

- 20 feet from trees and vegetation greater than 3 feet in height
- 50 feet from structures and combustible material
- Clear ground of burnable material for 25 feet around the pile
- 30 feet from property lines