

Open Burning Information

Mendocino County Air Quality Management District

BEFORE YOU BURN

ALWAYS CALL 463-4391 BEFORE BURNING BURN ONLY ON PERMISSIVE DAYS ALL OPEN OUTDOOR FIRES REQUIRE BURN PERMITS

Burning may be prohibited during periods of high fire danger.

Read and understand your permit and special instructions received from the issuing agency. Large burns and burns located near sensitive populations may require an Air Quality approved Smoke Management Plan.

- Only burn if you have a minimum of 10 feet of clearance from any other combustibles.
- O All fires must be attended by a responsible adult until the fire is dead out.
- O Adequate water and a shovel to put out the fire must be present when you burn.
- O You are responsible for the cost of putting out your fire and all damages caused by your fire, if it escapes. Contact your fire agency with any questions about fire safety (see list on back).

WHAT TO BURN

- Only burn vegetation that grew on the property.
- Vegetation must be dry (not green) and free of soil.
- Materials must be dried at least the minimum length of time as follows:
 - Larger than 6" in diameter–60 days Less than 6" in diameter–15 days
- Do not burn lumber, garbage or metals of any type.
- Do not burn cardboard or paper except as needed to start your fire.
- <u>Do not burn</u> in a burn barrel in Mendocino County.



Recycle what you can



Compost if you can



Burn Barrels are illegal

WHEN TO BURN

- ALWAYS CALL 463-4391 BEFORE BURNING & BURN ONLY ON PERMISSIVE BURN DAYS
- Burn between 9:00 am and 3:00 pm only or as directed in writing on your permit; no overnight smoldering.
- <u>Do not burn</u> during high winds. Burn a small test pile to <u>determine where the smoke is going</u>.
- <u>Do not burn</u> when your smoke will impact others <u>you are responsible for your smoke impact</u>.
- <u>Do not burn</u> early on cold mornings during the winter months <u>when your smoke will affect others</u>.

WINTER BURN AND FIRE SEASONS

The open burning permit rules may change with the seasons to reflect different health and safety concerns.

| Winter Burning | End of Burn Ban | Smoke Impacts | Air Quality <u>or</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| | November until April 30th | and fire safety | Fire Agency Permit |
| Fire Season | May 1st until Burn Ban | Escaped burns | Fire Agency Permit <u>only</u> |
| Limited burning | | and fire safety | |
| Fire SeasonCal Fire | Dry Summer months | Wildfires | NO BURNING ALLOWED |
| BURN BAN | (Typically Jul 1-Nov 1) | | |

OPEN BURNING CONTACTS

FIRE DISTRICT PERMITS ARE ONLY VALID INSIDE THE FIRE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

| Contact | What they do | Phone Number | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------|--|--|
| BURN INFORMATION LINE | BURN DAY STATUS / INFORMATION | (707) 463-4391 | | |
| Air Quality Management District | Issues A.Q. Permits+ - and Complaints | (707) 463-4354 | | |
| Anderson Valley Community Services District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 895-2020 | | |
| Brooktrails Community Services District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 459-4441 | | |
| Covelo Fire Protection District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 983-6719 | | |
| Fort Bragg Fire District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 961-2831 | | |
| Little Lake Valley Fire Protection District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 459-6271 | | |
| Long Valley Fire Protection District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 984-6055 | | |
| Potter Valley Community Services District | Air Quality Permit Required* | (707) 743-1415 | | |
| Redwood Coast Fire District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 882-1833 | | |
| Redwood Valley/Calpella Fire Protection District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 485-8121 | | |
| South Coast Fire Protection District | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 884-4700 | | |
| Ukiah Fire Department (inside City Limits) | Issues Burn Permits | (707) 463-6264 | | |
| Ukiah Valley Fire District (outside City Limits) | Air Quality Permit Required* | (707) 462-7921 | | |
| "Air Quality Permit Required" Permits are issued by Air Quality, not by the fire agency listed. | | | | |

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

CALL FIRST TO CHECK ON STAFF AVAILABILITY

| Cal Fire Stations | Permits Issued | Phone |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Willits - Howard Forest Station | Year round | (707) 459-7414 |
| Boonville | May 1—November | (707) 895-3323 |
| Covelo | May 1—November | (707) 983-6499 |
| Fort Bragg | May 1—November | (707) 964-5673 |
| Hopland | May 1—November | (707) 744-1111 |
| Laytonville | May 1—November | (707) 984-6777 |
| Mendocino/Woodlands | May 1—November | (707) 937-5765 |
| Point Arena | May 1—November | (707) 882-2151 |
| Ukiah | May 1—November | (707) 462-7448 |