

This general guide is intended to clarify various activities as allowed or restricted under

Stage 1 & Stage 2 Fire Restrictions

ACTIVITY	Stage 1	Stage 2
Fires allowed within a metal fire ring or grate.	Y	N
Fires allowed within rock fire rings.	N	N
Fire allowed with on/off switch such as: enclosed gas, propane, or butane-type camp stoves.	Y	Y
Use of 'tiki' lights... (why? open flame)	N	N
Charcoal fires allowed within metal BBQ (i.e., portable Weber-type BBQ)	N	N
Woodstoves allowed within cabins. <i>Must have spark arrestor or wire mesh screens over stove pipes.</i>	Y	Y
Woodstoves allowed within canvas wall tents.	N	N
Smoking allowed in enclosed vehicle or building, at an improved place of habitation, developed designated recreation site or stopped within an area 3-foot in diameter that is cleared of all flammable material.	Y	Y
Allows use of generators placed on area cleared of flammable material. <i>Must have spark arrestor.</i>	Y	Y
Logging Operations:	Y	Y**
Allows use of Chainsaw, log skidding activities, or delimiting operations. Allows loading and hauling operations to occur on a cleared landing site.	Y	Y
Allows Road Maintenance Operations	Y	Y
Allows Road Building operations to occur - PIONEERING stage.	Y	Y**
Allows Trail Maintenance - brushing, mowing, weed whacking	Y	Y**
Allows welding, use of acetylene torches.	Y	Y**
Allows use of explosives.	Y	Y**
Allows the use of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices.	N	N

**** Activities affected by Stage 2 'Hoot-Owl' time periods 1:00 PM to 1:00 AM
(no use of internal combustion engine)**

Residential Outdoor Burning Regulations

Any day, before you burn, call DEQ (Department of Air Quality)
1-800-633-6247 then option **3#** for Kootenai County Air Quality

Also, Notify Your
 Local Fire Department
 Before Burning

Burn Permits Required May 10th – October 20th

- Burning should begin early in the day
- Piles shall be down to burning embers (no flames) by nightfall.
- Piles shall be free of dirt and stumps.
- Green trees and limbs should be left to dry before they can be burned.
- Burn must be attended at all times
- Must have a minimum of 10' fire break around pile.
- Must have water and/or minimum of a shovel on scene at all times.
- All fires shall be a minimum of 25' from any structure, trees, or fences.
- Fire Officials may require that burning be discontinued if smoke emissions are offensive to occupants of surrounding properties.

Burn Clean

Burn Hot

Burn Smoke-Free

Do Not Burn

- Treated/Pressure Treated Wood Products
- Plastics; Rubber Products; Tires
- Paint, painted or varnished wood, Paint
- Cans
- Fiberglass
- Carpeting & Pads
- Pallets; Furniture
- Stumps (roots)
- Household Garbage; Green Plant material
- Construction Materials
- Non-combustible items

Weather Conditions

DEQ prohibits burning during air inversions
 Know the forecasted weather for your area.
 Beware of windy conditions and storms
 Only burn during the correct weather condition



Please Recycle Rather than Burn

- Green plant material
- Paper
- Plastic
- Painted wood
- Old Tires and metal

Recreational Fires (Camp Fires) – No Burn Permit Necessary

- ✓ In a purchased or handmade ring, pit, bowl no larger than 3' diameter.
- ✓ Flames no taller than 2.5' high.
- ✓ 10' around ring shall be free of all combustible material and overhanging limbs.
- ✓ More than 25' away from any structure, fence, tree.
- ✓ Attended at all times.
- ✓ Out cold to touch before leaving site.
- ✓ If burning near shoreline, must be above high water line.
- ✓ Must have water and/or shovel on site.
- ✓ If smoke emissions are offensive to occupants of surrounding properties, Fire Officials may require the fire to be extinguished.



Fees May Apply for Fire Response/Action Related to Unpermitted or Illegal Burning