



Burn Ban 2014 Factsheet

In an effort to reduce human-caused wildfires, DNR has issued a burn ban. The ban prohibits outdoor fires on all state, local and private land under DNR fire protection.

Why does DNR have a burn ban?

Human activities are the number one cause of destructive wildfires. Restricting those activities helps reduce the likelihood a fire will start.

What IS allowed during the burn ban?

- Recreational fires in approved fire pits within designated state, county, municipal or other campgrounds.
- Liquid gas stoves and propane stoves that do not use solid briquettes.
- Camp stoves and lanterns with attached pressurized gas canisters.
- Solid fuel and citronella candles in metal or glass containers.
- Propane gas camp stoves used for campground or backcountry use.

What types of burning are NOT ALLOWED during the burn ban?

- Fireworks of any kind.
- Any incendiary devices, such as exploding targets, sky lanterns, or tracer ammunition.
- Campfires outside of designated campgrounds with approved fire pits that utilize wood, pressed logs, wood pellets, paper, cardboard, briquettes, or other solid fuels, *even if the campfire is enclosed by a rock barrier or other container.*
- Lanterns, stoves, and Tiki torches that use non-pressurized liquid gas or fuel.
- Solid fuel candles that are not enclosed within a metal or glass container.

Did you know it is YOUR responsibility to know the burning rules?

If you plan to burn, know the rules.

- For state laws governing DNR regulated burning, see [Chapter 76.04 RCW](#).
- For DNR administrative rules, see [Chapter 332-24 WAC](#).

What are the consequences for starting a wildfire during a burn ban?

- A violation of this burn ban is punishable as a crime.
- In addition to criminal prosecution, DNR may pursue civil actions against any person whose negligence is responsible for starting or allowing a fire to spread.
- **If your fire escapes, you will be responsible for paying for people and equipment for fire suppression** as required by Chapter 76.04 RCW.

If you have questions about a particular combustion device not listed above, please contact DNR's fire prevention and control staff at your local [DNR Region Office](#).