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MENDOCINO UNIT

RESIDENTIAL BURN PERMITS REQUIRED MAY 1, 2021

Mendocino County, CA- The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) Mendocino Unit will require dooryard/residential burning permits for residential burning within Mendocino County, effective Saturday, May 1st, 2021, at 12:01 a.m.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit is asking residents to take advantage of the following online burn permitting processes.

- CAL FIRE <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/>. Property Owners can access this website to obtain a burn permit, free of charge, by watching a short educational video and submitting an application. Permits must be printed, signed, and on hand while burning. The process provides the necessary information needed to conduct the burn safely, while minimizing the chance for fire escape. Permits are valid for the calendar year in which they are issued and must be reissued annually on or after January 1st of each year.
- Mendocino County Air Management District <http://www.co.mendocino.ca.us/aqmd/burning-information.html>.

Before you burn, always call Mendocino County Air Management District at (707) 463-4391 to confirm that you have all the required burn permits and to ensure it is a permissive burn day. Burning can only be done on permissive burn days and is prohibited on non-burn days.

Property owners requiring an alternative to the online burn permits can call the CAL FIRE Mendocino Headquarters at (707) 459-7414, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Staff will take the information over the phone and mail the burn permit, as our administrative offices and stations remain closed to the public during the COVID-19 situation.

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For more information about how you and your family can prepare for wildfire visit www.ReadyForWildfire.org.

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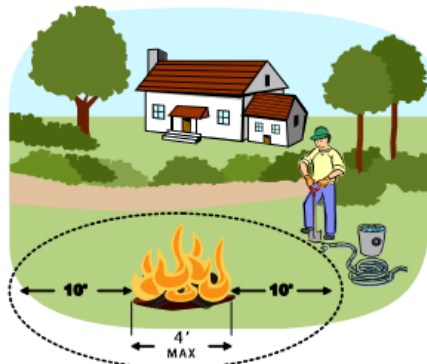
The drawings below, illustrate minimum fire safe requirements. These minimum requirements apply to all burning.

Debris Burning

The following are burning permit requirements:

For burning debris in small 4-foot x 4-foot piles:

- Maximum pile size: 4 foot in diameter.
- Clear all flammable material and vegetation within 10-feet of the outer edge of pile.
- Keep a water supply close to the burning site.
- An adult should be in attendance with a shovel until the fire is out.
- No burning shall be undertaken unless weather conditions (particularly wind) are such that burning can be considered safe.



No household trash or garbage can be burned outdoors at residences. Dry, natural vegetation, grown on the property can still be burned outdoors in open piles, unless prohibited by local ordinances. Burning can only be done on permissive burn days. Burn permits are only valid on "Permissive Burn Days" as determined by the State Air Resources Board or the local Air Pollution Control District (APCD).

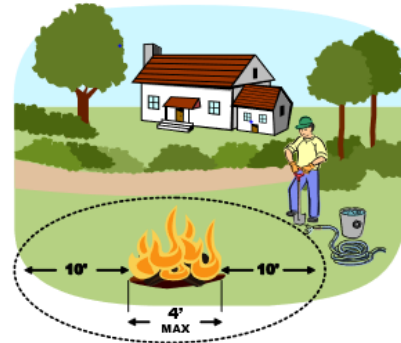
Violations Of Any Burning Permit Terms Are A Violation Of State Law
(Public Resources Code 4421, 4422, 4423 And 4425)

Requisitos para Quemar Residuos

A continuación se listan los requisitos para la quema de residuos:

Para quemar residuos en pilas pequeñas de 4 pies por 4 pies (1,2 metro por 1,2 metro):

- Tamaño máximo de la pila: 4 pies (1,2 metro) de diámetro.
- Despeje todo el material inflamable y la vegetación que se encuentre dentro de los 10 pies (3 metros) a partir del borde externo de la pila.
- Mantenga un suministro de agua cerca del lugar de la quema.
- Un adulto debe supervisar la quema hasta que el fuego se haya apagado. Debe tener una pala a la mano.



No deben realizarse quemas a menos que las condiciones del tiempo (en especial, las del viento) sean tales que pueda considerarse que la quema es segura. No puede quemarse basura o desechos hogareños afuera de las residencias. La vegetación natural seca que crece en la propiedad puede quemarse afuera en pilas abiertas, a menos que esté prohibido por ordenanzas locales. Sólo pueden realizarse quemas en días de permiso de quema. Los permisos de quema sólo son válidos en los "Días de Permiso de Quema", según lo determina el Departamento estatal de los Recursos del Aire o el Distrito local de Control de los Contaminantes del Aire.

La violación de cualquier término del Permiso de Quema es una violación a la ley estatal (Código de Recursos Públicos 4421, 4422, 4423 y 4425)

IMPORTANT: CALFIRE Burn Permits are only for residents who live in the State Response Area (SRA), where CAL FIRE has jurisdictional authority. It is the responsibility of the land owner to call local agencies to determine any additional permits that might be required and if there are any additional burning restrictions for their area.

CAL FIRE Mendocino Unit reminds everyone that it is their individual responsibility to use fire safely and to prevent fires. For more information on debris burning and other fire preparedness tips visit: <https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prevent-wildfire/debris-burning/>

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