



## OPEN BURNING

A permit is required to conduct an open burn for any type of land clearing or major lot natural debris disposal.

A site plan must be submitted 7 days prior to the planned burn.

- Open burns shall not be conducted within 50' of a structure and provision shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50' of any structure.
  - With the exception of:

When piles are 3' or less in diameter and 2' or less in height, the minimum distances may be 25'.
- Conditions which could cause the fire to spread to within 50' or 25' of a structure as appropriate to the size of burn pile, shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
- Open burn pile shall be limited in size to a maximum of 10' in diameter and 6' in height in urban areas, and 12' in diameter and 8' in height in agricultural areas.
- No standing vegetation shall be burned.
- Vegetation or combustible materials within 6' of all side of a burn pile shall be cleared away.
- Rubber product; tires; plastic; garbage; petroleum or petroleum treated materials; asphalt or industrial waste; construction materials or any material that creates dense smoke or noxious odors shall not be burned.
- A continual fire watch shall be provided to patrol the burn pile(s) and shall have no other duties beginning prior to the ignition and continuing for one hour after any open flame or smoldering ceases.

- Fire extinguishing equipment shall include any of the following elements capable of controlling and extinguishing the fire in any condition:
  - Garden hose minimum ½" diameter with attached nozzle and maximum length 150', turned on with no leaks and readily available
  - Water barrels w/Buckets
  - 4A fire extinguisher
  - Water tender
  
- All fires shall be extinguished immediately if:
  - Winds exceed 15 mph
  - Any representative of the Fire Department determines the fire to be a hazard or verifies the conditions of approval are not being met
  
- The Permit holder shall call **503-618-3083** after 8:00 am **DAILY** and shall burn only during approved days and hours, without exception.