



Northwest Fire District Outdoor Fire and Open Burn Guide

	Acceptable (with restrictions**)	Permit Required by PDEQ	Illegal Burn
Residential Occupancies	<p>Outdoor fires with total fuel area less than 3 feet wide and 2 feet high used for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - only cooking food - providing warmth for human beings - the branding of animals - the heating of orchards - the proper disposal of flags - a religious ceremony 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Outdoor fire with a total fuel area greater than 3 feet wide and 2 feet high •Burning of debris, waste, cut vegetation removal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Burning of garbage or materials considered dangerous or hazardous (i.e.: plastics, synthetics, aerosol cans, household wares etc...) •Bonfires – large fire usually associated with a crowd
Commercial Occupancies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Training - Live Fire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Burn by air curtain •Agricultural crop burning •Prescribed burns •Debris, cut vegetation burns 	

****RECREATIONAL FIRE RESTRICTIONS - NWFD Fire Code Section 307.**

- **Section 307.4.2 Recreational fires.** Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
- **Section 307.5 Attendance.** Open burning or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

Note per section 307.3: As the jurisdictional authority, any fire (permitted or not), can be discontinued if NWFD personnel deem that the fire presents a fire hazard or a smoke nuisance.