



OUTDOOR FIRE BURN PERMITS



Fire Preparation & Efficiency

- ✓ Avoid burning yard debris that is still green. Let it dry first.
- ✓ Ensure your burn pile gets enough oxygen to burn hotter and reduce smoke.

Weather & Environmental Conditions

- ✓ Consider the weather before burning.
- ✓ Watch for wind changes and inversion conditions that may trap smoke.
- ✓ Delay burning if conditions aren't favorable.

Health & Air Quality Awareness

- ✓ Be aware that smoke can seriously impact people with respiratory conditions.

Neighbor Consideration

- ✓ Notify neighbors before you burn.
- ✓ Be open to adjusting timing to reduce impacts on others.

HAVE QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

Fire Marshal's Office
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TO APPLY FOR A FIRE BURN PERMIT

The outdoor fire burn permit process has changed. Please apply for a burn permit through our free **Community Connect** online portal. If you reside inside the allowed outdoor burning area, your permit will be issued immediately and can either be emailed to you or downloaded.



STEPS

- ✓ Scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/PSFCommunityConnect>
- ✓ Click the red "RESIDENTS" button.
- ✓ Click the blue "Register" link to create a profile.
- ✓ Click the blue "Apply for Permit" button for application.

PLEASE NOTE: If there is already a current fire safety or air quality burn ban in effect, new fire burn permits will not be issued until the ban has lifted. If you already have a fire burn permit through your Community Connect account, then you will be notified via email or text message when a burn ban begins.

RESIDENTIAL OUTDOOR BURNING REQUIREMENTS

- Fire must be no more than four (4) feet in diameter.
- Fire must be no more than three (3) feet in height.
- Only natural vegetation may be burned.
- Material must originate from residential property maintenance.
- Burn material only on the property of origin.
- Burn at least 50 feet from all structures, including wood fences.
- Burn only one (1) fire at a time.
- Keep the outdoor burn permit at the fire site at all times.
- Keep a 30-foot fire break. (Bare ground/short green grass is ok).
- Maintain constant supervision of the fire.
- Always keep a shovel, rake, hose, or fire extinguisher on hand.
- Do not burn garbage, rubber, asphalt, petroleum products, plastics, milled lumber, or garbage.
- **Absolutely no burn barrels allowed.**
- Burn only under safe conditions in compliance with regulations.

The Fire Marshal may prohibit any and all fires when conditions or local circumstances make outdoor burning hazardous. The person in whose name a permit is issued shall be liable for any damage caused by the fire started under it. A permit shall be cancelled at any time on complaint of danger, violation of conditions, or nuisance from smoke.