You MUST CALL 1-800-323-BURN (2876) or visit http://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/firedanger each day of ignition prior to lighting ANY fire for instructions specific to that day and location:

- Start your fire only after receiving landowners written permission if you are on someone else’s property;
- Help prevent false alarms—follow the notification instructions specific to your county as given on the 1-800-323-BURN message or shown on the web site at http://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/firedanger;
- Do not burn rubber, plastics, asphalt, garbage, dead animals, petroleum products, paints or any materials that emit dense smoke or create offensive odors;
- Do not burn when local or state air pollution control authorities announce an “impaired air” or “air pollution episode”;
- Do not allow smoke or ash to create a nuisance to people residing within the vicinity;
- Completely extinguish the fire, with no heat or smoke throughout burnt area, including below surface, before leaving the burn site.

Recreational fires are not allowed on State lands except in approved designated campgrounds.

- In a campfire pit, camp stove or barbecue;
- Smaller than 3 feet across; 2 feet high, and
- Placed on bare soil, gravel bars, beaches, green fields or other non-flammable areas.
- Must obtain landowner’s written permission.

Report uncontrolled wildfire, call: 1-800-562-6010

Thank You

### Other Resources

**Silvicultural Debris Burning in Eastern Washington**
Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Northeast Region, in Colville:
(509) 685-6900

**Agricultural, Yard and Garden Burning in Eastern Washington (outside Spokane County)**
Washington State Department of Ecology, Eastern Region Office
(509) 329-3400

**Composting, Recycling, Waste Reduction and Disposal**
Spokane Regional Solid Waste System
(509) 625-6800

**Spokane Clean Air Agency**
(509) 477-4710 (24-hour Burn Info Line)
www.spokanecleanair.org/outdoor_burning.asp

**WASHINGN STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**
www.dnr.wa.gov
NORTHEAST REGION
225 S. SILKE ROAD
COLVILLE, WA 99114-9369

**Agricultural, Yard and Garden Burning in Eastern Washington**

3 FEET WIDE, 2 FEET HIGH, MAX.

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burn outdoors?

FOLLOW THE RULES CALL 800.323.BURN
http://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/firedanger

OUTDOOR BURNING RULES ON DNR-PROTECTED LANDS
FOR FERRY, LINCOLN, OKANOGAN, PEND OREILLE, SPOKANE AND STEVENS COUNTIES
In Washington state, more than 12 million acres of private and state lands are protected from wildfires by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). These lands adjoin millions of acres protected by the US Forest Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, and more than 600 fire protection districts and departments throughout the state.

Debris burning, the leading cause of wildfires on state-protected lands, accounts for about one-third of all wildfires fought since 1986 by DNR.

This brochure explains the general rules and guidelines to help people burn safely and legally on state-protected lands. DNR jurisdiction applies to burning occurring on un-improved forest land, so whether you wish to light a campfire or you are planning to burn forest debris (silvicultural material) as part of an industrial operation, specific rules apply and permits may be required.

Burning Without a Permit

**IF THE PLANNED BURN MEETS THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS, A WRITTEN PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED:**

- Burn no more than one pile at any time and each pile must be completely extinguished before lighting another.
- Create a fire break around the pile by constructing a barrier to bare mineral soil with no flammable material.
- Keep a shovel and connected water hose or at least 5 gallons of water nearby.
- A person capable of extinguishing the fire must be in attendance at all times while burning.
- **Burn only in calm or light winds.**
  Don’t burn when the wind is swaying trees, extending flags or causing rough waves on the water.

**Ferry, Lincoln, Okanogan, Pend Oreille and Stevens Counties:**
- **July 1 to October 15:** The burn is less than 4 feet across.
- **October 16 to June 30:** The burn is less than 10 feet across.

**Spokane County:**
- **All Year**
  The burn is less than 4 feet across.

When is a DNR permit required?

**A DNR PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR:**

- Any burning that cannot meet all the previous standards listed in this pamphlet;
- Burning of any machine piled material;
- A DNR permit is required for burning within 500 feet of forest slash piles and 50 feet of structures.
- A permit may be required for burning debris from land clearing. Contact DNR or Department of Ecology to determine type of permit needed.

**BURN BANS**
Outdoor burning may be completely suspended by the DNR at any time. Such tight restrictions may be announced due to high fire danger resulting from weather conditions, specific wildfire conditions, lack of available firefighting personnel or to protect air quality.

**SEE ABOVE**

**50 FEET OR MORE AWAY**

An open fire must be on a non-combustible surface and at least 50 feet from combustible objects (buildings, fences, etc.). Fire breaks must be made around the open fire.

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**FOLLOW THE RULES, CALL 800.323.BURN BEFORE YOU BURN**
http://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/firedanger