

Burn Barrel Information

The Department of Natural Resources **strongly discourages** individual property owners from outdoor burning, and encourages recycling as a safer and environment friendly alternative.

Only dry, clean and untreated paper and wood products which are not recyclable are legal to be burned in a barrel.

Burning of plastics, garbage, asphalt, treated, or painted wood, rubber, or oily substances is prohibited.

If you still wish to use a burn barrel follow these guidelines to ensure your barrel does not cause a wildfire:

- 🔥 Get a burning permit and adhere to the restrictions on the permit!
- 🔥 Barrel **MUST** be covered with a lid or screen with holes $\frac{1}{4}$ inch or smaller.
- 🔥 Vent or drainage holes in sides and bottom of barrel should be no larger than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch.
- 🔥 Provide an area free of flammable material 6-10 feet around the barrel.
- 🔥 Have water and fire fighting tools on hand.
- 🔥 **Do not** burn when it's windy.
- 🔥 Never leave your fire unattended and make sure it is cold before you leave.

You must also comply with local ordinances, which may be more restrictive than state law

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Burn Pile Information

The Department of Natural Resources **strongly discourages** individual property owners from outdoor burning, and encourages recycling as a safer and environment friendly alternative.

Only dry, clean and untreated paper and wood products which are not recyclable are legal to be burned in a burn pile.

Burning of plastics, garbage, asphalt, treated, or painted wood, rubber, or oily substances is prohibited.

If you still wish to use a burn pile follow these guidelines to ensure your pile does not cause a wildfire:

- 🔥 Get a burning permit and adhere to the restrictions on the permit!
- 🔥 Burn pile should be kept to 6 ft. x 6 ft. or smaller.
- 🔥 Provide an area free of flammable material a minimum of 10 feet around the pile.
- 🔥 Have water and fire fighting tools on hand.
- 🔥 **Do not** burn when it's windy.
- 🔥 Burn piles can hold over in roots, stumps or other material and can be rekindled at a later time.
- 🔥 Never leave your fire unattended and make sure it is cold before you leave!

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