



Washington County Fire District #2

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Providing Fire and Rescue Services to Central Washington County

Call before you BURN * Burn Line (503) 992-3242

“Open Burning” includes **any** burning outdoors

It’s against the law to conduct any open burning that:

- Unreasonably interferes with enjoyment of life or property
- Creates a public or private nuisance
- Is a hazard to public safety
- Individual fire districts permit burning and may prohibit open burning, based on local fire safety or air quality concerns. Always contact your local fire department to find out if burning is authorized on a particular day.

Backyard burning is limited to “Burn Days” authorized by DEQ during the spring (**March 1- June 15**) and fall (**October 1- December 15**) seasons. **Call the burn line before you burn to confirm burning is allowed.** Only yard debris generated from your own yard may be burned.

DEQ regulations prohibit open burning of the following Materials at any time:

- Rubber
- Plastic
- Petroleum and petroleum-treated materials
- Any material that creates dense smoke or noxious odors
- *Tires
- *Wet garbage
- *Asphalt or industrial waste

Agricultural Burn Permit Requirements

- Material burned under an agricultural permit must be waste material generated by agricultural operations.
- A property qualifies as agricultural if the primary purpose must be an intention to earn a profit in money by selling of crops or produce.

Forestry Agricultural Permit (burning debris from logging)

- Forestry Agricultural burning is limited to burning on forest lands for forest management and is usually managed by the Oregon Department of Forestry. It is not the clearing of forest land for any other purpose.

Alternatives to Open Burning

- Composting or chipping on site
- Organize a Neighborhood Cleanup Day
- Curb-side pick up
- Take to central recycling center or landfill
- Reclaim used lumber

Burn Safe Safety Tips

- Create a “fire-break” around the burn pile
- Never leave a burn unattended
- Do not burn within 50ft of any structures and/or combustibles
- Always have a accessible water source (hose etc.) at the burn pile

To report a backyard burning violations contact:

North Plains Fire Station (503) 647-5524

Midway Fire Station (503) 628-1080

Or

WCCCA Non-Emergency Dispatch at (503) 629-0111