

WHAT ARE FIRE RESTRICTIONS?

Fire Restrictions help land management agencies reduce fire risk and prevent wildfires during periods of high or extreme fire danger.

Fire restrictions often change quickly due to variable weather conditions and all or some of the following activities may be in effect:

- No open flame that is not in permanently constructed fire ring in a developed recreation site (such as a campground or picnic area.)
- No building, maintaining or using a fire, campfire, charcoal broiler or a coal or wood burning stove **anywhere on public lands including campgrounds**. [People can still use petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns and heating devices anywhere, and resident owners and lessees of land within the restricted area can have fires within a residence].
- No smoking unless in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or within a three foot diameter cleared to mineral soil.
- Operating or using internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained an in effective working order.

What are **STAGE 1** Fire Restrictions?

STAGE 1 Fire Restrictions help land management agencies reduce fire risk and prevent wildfires during periods of high to extreme danger.

PROHIBITIONS

- No building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire* without a permit EXCEPT in Forest Service developed camp or picnic ground. The following actions are permitted: petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices providing such devices meet the fire underwriter's specification for safety.
- No smoking unless in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
- No operation welding, acetylene, or other torch with an open flame.
- No operation or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order.

EXEMPTIONS

- Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- Resident owners and leasers of land within the restricted area are exempt from above restriction provided such fires are within the residence.
- Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

*A stove fire is defined as a campfire built inside an enclosed stove or grill, portable brazier, or a pressurized liquid or gas stove, including a space-heating device.

What are **STAGE 2** Fire Restrictions?

STAGE 2 Fire Restrictions help land management agencies reduce fire risk and prevent wildfires during periods of high to extreme fire danger.

PROHIBITIONS

- No building, maintaining, attending or using open fire, campfires or stove fires.
- No smoking unless in an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or within a three foot diameter cleared to mineral soil.
- No operation welding, acetylene, or other torch with an open flame.
- No operation or using any internal or external combustion engine without a spark arresting device properly installed, maintained and in effective working order.

EXEMPTIONS

- Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- Resident owners and leasers of land within the restricted area are exempt from above restriction provided such fires are within the residence.
- Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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