

## **Slash Burning & Recreational Fires**

## Resources for Residents & Guests Can I Burn Right Now?

WHAT TO KNOW

MORE INFO



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If you're fortunate to live in or visit the mountains, you are in the Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) with an elevated risk of wildfire. That risk is year round, so we each have a responsibility to be safe with fire. This document provides guidance to help everyone make good decisions about open burning. When in doubt, please contact the Fire District with questions. Note: Per Larimer County Land Use Code, Short Term Rentals may not burn solid fuels when being used as a short-term rental. This flow chart does not apply. Do you have a current burn permit from Larimer County and approved by the Fire District? No Yes Is the fire burning "slash", including: leaves, pine cones, pine needles, trash, or anything besides "firewood" Active permits only apply from October 1 to May 1 Criteria to burn is on the permit and can be Yes https://www.estesvalleyfire.org/burn-permits This fire violates the International Fire Code (IFC) Section 307.2 and No must be extinguished Is there a current fire restriction or fire ban in place? Yes No Refer to current fire restrictions for guidelines. Even if permitted under Is the fuel load greater than the restrictions, recreational 3 feet wide and 2 feet tall? burning is strongly discouraged under these conditions. No Yes Is the fire in a container (fire ring,

#### Per IFC 307.4:

 The fire must be at least <u>15</u> feet from a structure

fire pit, chiminea, etc) that

adequately contains the fire for

current and expected weather

conditions? Officer discretion.

Yes

- The fire must be constantly attended until completely out
- The attendant must have water and tool available

#### Per IFC 307.4:

 The fire must be at least <u>25</u> feet from a structure

This fire violates the International

Fire Code (IFC) Section 307.4

and must be extinguished

No

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Activity	Private Residence	Commercial Business	During Fire Restrictions	During Fire Bans
Slash Burning	Permit Required  See: www.estesvalleyfire.org/ burn-permits		Not Allowed	
Recreational Wood Burning (e.g. camp fires)	No Permit Required Not Permitted in Short Term Rentals	No Permit Required	Conditions Apply	Not Allowed
Fireplaces & Stoves (inside buildings)	No Permit Required	No Permit Required	Allowed	
BBQs & Smokers (Charcoal & Pellet Fuels)	No Permit Required Not Permitted in Short Term Rentals	Mobile Food Vehicles require Operational Permit	Conditions Apply	Not Allowed
Recreational Gas Burning Fires & Appliances	No Permit Required	No Permit Required	Conditions Apply	
Fireworks	Not Allowed	Operational Permit from EVFPD required	Not Al	llowed



# Fire Restrictions & Bans A community information guide



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	Stage 1 Restriction	Stage 2 Restriction
Allowable Activities	<ul> <li>Wood burning fires in a device designed to contain fire (NOT permitted in short-term rentals)</li> <li>Charcoal and pellet fuel BBQs and smokers (NOT permitted in short-term rentals)</li> <li>Gas burning BBQs</li> <li>Gas burning recreational fires</li> <li>Smoking (with proper discard device)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Gas burning BBQs</li> <li>Gas burning recreational fires</li> </ul>
Prohibited Activities	Wood burning recreational fires     NOT in a permanent enclosure     or portable device designed to     contained fire	<ul> <li>Wood burning recreational fires of any kind</li> <li>Charcoal and pellet fuel BBQs and smokers</li> <li>Smoking in the open</li> </ul>

**Always Prohibited** 

- fire with fuel load greater than 3ft wide x 2ft tall
- burning trash, yard waste, or slash
- unattended fire

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