

BURN BANS and PERMITS:

The County Sheriff sets the burn level and bans for outside burning. The Elbert Fire Protection District requires all individuals wanting to have a camp fire, burn weeds/slash, etc. to have a permit in hand prior to starting. This gives the members as well as our dispatch center a heads up to alleviate potential 9-1-1 calls when you begin your burn. Even if there aren't any burn bans, we will still perform necessary procedures to verify that the surrounding areas are safe. Should we feel that the area and/or weather conditions are unsuitable, the department will not issue a permit until the area is made more suitable or the weather conditions improve. Any individuals whom burn during a burn ban or fail to get a permit, can be prosecuted by law enforcement and be held responsible for any damages to neighboring properties.

A representative of the Elbert Fire Protection District will come to your location, once CONTACTED by you at (303) 648-3000, to visually see and inspect your selected area to burn. Permits will be issued with the following restrictions:

INFORMATION FOR PERSONS BEING PERMITTED TO BURN

- Permitted must be 18 years of age, own the property or have legal access/permission, and have viable means of communication with 911
- Burn area must be on the ground, NO pits, Barrels, or Incinerators are allowed.
- Permitted must conduct the burn in the inspected and approved area only during daylight hours
- Permitted must monitor the burn at all times until extinguished
- A permit can be revoked by any member of Elbert Fire Protection District at any time for any reason
- If unable to burn on day requested, contact EFPD with original permit number and date and request a re-issue to burn up to 15 days from original permit, at no charge. Any re-issue greater than 15 days from original will require a new site inspection and a new permit issued
- Permitted must extinguish burn if any of the following situations arises:
 - Neighbors complain of smoke or odor
 - Winds get to strong or significant gusts (5 MPH gust over 10 MPH)
 - Permitted can no longer monitor burn
 - Permitted is instructed to do so by any member of EFPD

SITE INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS

- Burn area must be 100' away from all structures
- A 25' clearance away from combustible material (Hay Stacks, Lumber Piles, etc.), ground vegetation, and tree canopy's
- Burn area must have adequate access and egress for emergency situations
- Burn area must be reachable by a charged garden hose or have an approved extinguisher/water source on site

- Items to be burned shall be fibrous, non-treated wood products in a pile no greater than 9 cubic feet unless special permission is granted by the Chief or an appointed designee. **BURNING IN BARRELS IS NOT ALLOWED BY LAW!**
- NO TRASH
- NO Entire trees
- NO Mattress
- NO Treated wood
- NO Laminated wood
- NO Building material
- NO Furniture
- NO Hazardous Materials

All burning will follow the state standards listed in the Colorado open burning information and the Air Quality Control Commission Regulation 9.

NOTE: \$10.00 permit application and processing fee will be due before receiving permit.