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OUTDOOR RESIDENTIAL BURNING PERMIT

Date of Issue _____ Expiration Date _____ Permit Number 2011- _____

Landowner Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address of Outdoor Burn _____

City _____

Responsible Party _____ Phone Number _____

CONDITIONS TO BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO:

1. Pile size may be no larger than 4 feet by 4 feet and 3 feet in height.
2. May only have one permit per site with one burn pile at any one time.
3. A 5 foot wide fire break must be around each pile.
4. No burning in conditions where the wind is over 5 miles per hour.
5. Fire must be attended at all times.
6. No night burning or burning during non-daylight hours.
7. Water will be available on site. Garden hose with domestic supply or approved alternate source.
8. Responsible party must contact the Fire Department for each day a burn is desired.

THIS PERMIT SHALL BE POSTED ON SITE DURING PERMITTED BURNS

*This permit does not allow the permittee to burn illegal or prohibited materials and/or burn during burn bans.

*Failure to comply with all the Outdoor Burning Regulations, stipulations and requirements of this permit and the Clean Air Act shall cause this permit to become void and subject the Responsible Party/Permittee and/or Violator to fines and costs associated with the violation.

*The fire must not create a nuisance from smoke.

TYPES OF MATERIALS THAT MAY BE BURNED

Natural vegetation that originates from the property where the fire is to take place as described below:

1. Residential fires shall contain only leaves, clippings, tree pruning's, other yard and gardening vegetation originating on the property where the fire is to take place.

OUTDOOR FIRE - PROHIBITED TYPES

1. Any outdoor fire within the Urban Growth Area.
2. Fires during any stage of an air pollution episode or period of impaired air quality.
3. Fires containing garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, paints, rubber products, tires, plastic, plywood, pressboard, chipboard, finished lumber, paper, aerosols, insulation or cloth.
4. No outdoor fire shall be allowed in metal containers such as burn barrels.
5. No outdoor fire shall be allowed for the purpose of demolition, salvage, or reclamation of materials.
6. No burning shall be conducted during any period of time that the "Burn Ban" has been established by either Clean Air or the Fire Department due to high fire hazard conditions.

Responsible Party (please print) _____

Signature of Responsible Party _____

Authorized by _____

Authorizing Signature _____



Don't get burned by the law

Know the facts about recreational fires



Recreational fires are defined in state law as cooking fires and charcoal barbecues, campfires and bonfires that occur in designated areas or on private property for cooking, pleasure or ceremonial purposes. Fires lit in chimineas, fire pits, fire bowls and similar free-standing devices, commonly sold at home-improvement stores and mass retailers, fall under this definition. They are allowed in both urbanized and unincorporated areas, though the following regulations apply:

- **Keep it small not tall.** Fires must not exceed three feet in diameter or two feet in height.
- **Fuel it right.** Only charcoal, dried firewood or manufactured firelogs may be used. It is illegal to burn anything else.
- **Stay clear of structures.** Check with your local fire department regarding setback requirements.
- **Stand guard and extinguish.** A person capable of extinguishing the fire must attend it at all times, and the fire must be extinguished before leaving it.
- **Ask first.** Permission from a landowner, or owner's designated representative, must be obtained before starting a recreational fire.
- **Mind the ban.** Recreational fires are always prohibited during air-quality burn bans. They may also be prohibited during a fire-safety burn ban (check with your local fire district.)
- **Be a good neighbor.** *It is always illegal to smoke out your neighbor.* If smoke from your fire bothers your neighbors, damages their property or otherwise causes a nuisance, you must immediately put it out.

For more information, see the **Washington Administrative Code Section 173-425-050(6)**.

Clean air tip:

Looking for a healthier alternative to that smoky chiminea or fire bowl in your backyard? Check out the variety of patio heaters and fire-pits that burn natural gas or propane, available from home-improvement stores, mass retailers, and many online marketplaces. With one of these clean, efficient units warming your summer evening, there'll be no complaints from neighbors and no smoke to taint your own star-gazing. And when it's time to turn in, just turn it off!