



Boring Fire District
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Fire Level Information

The typical fire danger sign you see next to the roads consists of five danger levels (low, moderate, high, very high and extreme). The Fire District has letters (A thru E) that correspond to these five levels. The descriptions of the restrictions at each level are listed below. Always be sure to call the burn number (503-663-4121) prior to burning on any day. Even though we may be in the spring or fall burn season, burning may be closed due to air quality (a DEQ issue) or fire danger (a Fire District issue).

Low Fire Danger/Level A

Open burning including residential and agricultural is permitted. Fire control is easy and there is little chance of spread. Residential burning is to be out at the close of the burn day.

Moderate Fire Danger/Level B

Open burning including residential and agricultural is permitted. Fire control is relatively easy and fires are not likely to become serious. Residential and agricultural burning is to be out at the close of the burn day without having a special burn permit.

High Fire Danger/Level C

Residential and Agricultural burning is closed. Fire control can be difficult and may become serious unless extinguished while small. Burning is allowed only with a special permit. Recreational fires are allowed only within approved areas. It is helpful to let your neighbors and your fire department know that you are going to have a recreational fire.

Very High Fire Danger/Level D

All burning, residential and agricultural is closed. Fires tend to spread rapidly. Recreational fires are allowed only with approval.

Extreme Fire Danger/Level E

A burn ban is in effect. All burning is prohibited. Fires become unmanageable and dangerous almost immediately.

The following terms are defined in Chapter 3 of the Oregon Fire Code:

Open Burning. *The burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. The definition of open burning does not include recreational fires.*

Recreational Fire. *An outdoor fire where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbecue grill or barbecue pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.*