



MEDFORD BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

A Division of Medford Fire-Rescue

200 S. Ivy Street Room #257, Medford, OR 97501

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www.medfordfirerescue.org

RESIDENTIAL BURNING PERMIT- FIRE DISTRICT #2

NOT VALID FOR: Commercial, Industrial or Construction Site Burning
PERMIT IS FREE OF CHARGE

Burn Site Address: _____
Street Number Street Name Zip Code

Date Issued: March 1, 2010

EXPIRES: October 31, 2010

VALID ONLY FOR ABOVE BURN SITE

BEFORE BURNING CALL 541-776-7007 TO VERIFY IT IS A BURN DAY
(THE VENTILATION INDEX MUST BE ABOVE 400)

WHEN CAN I BURN?

- MARCH 1 through OCTOBER 31**, only on a burn day and when the ventilation index is above 400 (See reverse side)
- When **WIND SPEEDS** are predicted to be **less than 15 MPH and temperatures < 90°F**
- Only on a BURN DAY.** Before burning, call **776-7007** to verify it is a burn day
- Only during DAYLIGHT HOURS.** The fire shall be extinguished prior to dark
- NO BURNING DURING FIRE SEASON**
(Usually July, August and September)
- NO BURNING DURING** the months of **November, December, January, and February** within the Air Quality Maintenance Area (AQMA) as specified in Jackson County Ordinance 89-12. To determine if you are in the AQMA, call 774-8207 or visit the website at www.co.jackson.or.us (click on Air Quality)

WHAT CAN I BURN?

- Yard trimmings, leaves, brush

WHAT CAN'T I BURN?

- OPEN BURNING OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IS PROHIBITED:**
 - Wet garbage - Wire insulation
 - Automobile parts - Asphalt
 - Petroleum products/treated material
 - Plastic/rubber products
 - Animal remains
 - Any other material which normally emits dense smoke/noxious odors

HOW CAN I BURN?

- Small piles maximum 4' x 3' or in a burn barrel
- Safe distance from buildings, propane tanks, etc** (See reverse side)
- Keep hose and shovel near the fire
- Never leave your fire unattended**

PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

- This permit is **NOT** valid for the burning of demolition debris, land clearing, and/or slash. This permit is **NOT** valid for commercial, industrial and/or construction site burning.
- Burning must be conducted under constant supervision of a person capable of taking corrective action.
- Fires must be extinguished if conditions develop that would cause fire spread (e.g. wind, brands or embers, etc.) **or** if conditions exist as defined in **OAR 340-264-0060**.
- **LIABILITY:** This permit does not relieve the person performing the burning from criminal or civil liability for damages arising from burning occurring under his/her control. Violations of the burning requirements may result in the issuance of a citation or civil penalty, and/or suppression costs.

◆ **PLEASE SEE REVERSE** ◆

FOR ADDRESS, OR BURN SITE CHANGE -- CONTACT 541-774-2300



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JACKSON COUNTY

Health and Human Services

Environmental Health Division -- Air Quality Program

Wood Burning Advisory **541-776-9000**
(Green/Yellow/Red)
Wood Stoves and Fireplaces

Air Quality Information **541-774-8207**
Office Hours: 8:00AM to 5:00PM
(Monday – Friday, or answering machine)

Open Burning Advisories

Jackson County	541-776-7007
(Open and Barrel Burning)	
City of Central Point	541-776-7007
City of Medford (Burning debris is prohibited inside City limits)	541-776-7007
Rogue River Area	541-582-BURN (541-582-2876)

➤ **DEQ – Department of Environmental Quality** **541-776-6010**
The DEQ determines when burning is allowed; and **may or may not extend the burning season.**

➤ Your Burn Permit is valid from **March 1st through October 31st**; however, **there is no residential burning of any sort allowed during fire season**-Per the Department of Environmental Quality (776-6010). Fire Season is declared by the Oregon Department of Forestry, sometime in June, and can last through October 31.

➤ If fire season is lifted prior to the end of October, **your current Burn Permit is valid.** You do not need to have another permit issued to you, for the **CURRENT** burn season.

➤ The location for open **burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure**, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. *Fires in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet from a structure.*
2. *The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet where the pile size is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.*

Burning is permitted only when the wind speed is predicted to be less than 15 miles per hour and the temperature is less than 90°F.

