



North Tahoe and Meeks Bay Fire Protection Districts



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PRESS RELEASE

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Burning Restrictions Lifted in North Tahoe Fire and Meeks Bay Fire Protection Districts

Tahoe City, Calif. Nov. 16, 2020 – With the arrival of moisture, higher humidity and winter weather conditions, effective today, November 16, 2020, CAL FIRE lifted the burn permit suspension that has been in place in Placer and El Dorado counties during fire season. Following CAL FIRE's lifting of fire restrictions, which indicates the end of our local fire season, the Fire Chief has lifted local fire restrictions for North Tahoe Fire and Meeks Bay Fire Protection Districts. Those possessing current and valid residential burn permits may resume burning on permissible burn days. CAL FIRE and the Air Resource Board, in conjunction with the Counties' Air Quality Management Districts, regulate "burn" and "no burn" days. Burn permits are required and residents must verify if a day is a permissible burn day through the [Placer County Air Quality Management District](#) for permit holders in the North Tahoe Fire Protection District, or the [El Dorado County Air Quality Management District](#) for permit holders in the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District. The burning of wood and charcoal is never permitted at Short-Term Rentals.

BURN GUIDELINES

- Renters must have written authorization from the property owner in their possession in order to obtain a permit.
- Maximum pile size shall be 4 feet in diameter.
- The area within 10 feet of the outer edge of the pile shall be maintained free and clear of all flammable material and vegetation.
- There must be a responsible adult in attendance with a shovel until the fire is dead out. There must be a water supply at the burning site.

No burning shall be undertaken unless weather conditions (particularly wind) are such that burning can be considered safe. Safe residential pile burning of green waste is an important tool in reducing fire hazards resulting from the buildup of forest residue. For more information on burning and to apply for a permit, visit the CAL FIRE website at <https://www.readyforwildfire.org/prevent-wildfire/debris-burning/>. For information on creating defensible space around your home, visit [Tahoe Living With Fire](#).

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LANDSCAPE DEBRIS BURNING

Proper Debris Burning Prevents Wildfire

LEARN THE HOW, WHAT AND WHEN OF PREVENTING WILDFIRES FROM IMPROPER BURNING:

HOW



DON'T BURN UNLESS WEATHER CONDITIONS (PARTICULARLY WIND) ARE SUCH THAT BURNING CAN BE CONSIDERED SAFE.



KEEP A WATER SUPPLY AND SHOVEL CLOSE TO THE BURNING SITE.



A RESPONSIBLE ADULT IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE IN ATTENDANCE UNTIL THE FIRE IS OUT.

LANDSCAPE DEBRIS PILES MUST BE IN SMALL 4- FEET BY 4- FEET PILES.

4 FT



10 FT

CLEAR ALL FLAMMABLE MATERIAL AND VEGETATION WITHIN 10- FEET OF THE OUTER EDGE OF PILE.

WHAT



NO HOUSEHOLD TRASH OR GARBAGE CAN BE BURNED OUTDOORS AT RESIDENCES.



DRY, NATURAL VEGETATION, GROWN ON THE PROPERTY CAN STILL BE BURNED OUTDOORS IN OPEN PILES, UNLESS PROHIBITED BY LOCAL ORDINANCES.

WHEN



DON'T BURN IF IT IS WINDY AND THE SURROUNDING VEGETATION IS VERY DRY.

PERMITS

BURNING CAN ONLY BE DONE AFTER OBTAINING REQUIRED PERMITS FOR PERMISSIVE BURN DAYS. CHECK BURN DAYS BY CONTACTING YOUR LOCAL AIR DISTRICT.

ONE LESS SPARK
ONE LESS WILDFIRE

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND A PRINT-READY CAMPFIRE PERMIT VISIT:

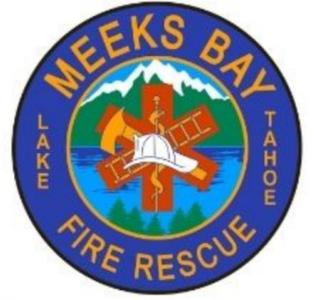
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WINTER FIRE RESTRICTIONS (NOV - JUN*)



*TYPICALLY NOVEMBER - JUNE



PERMISSIBLE

Outside of Fire Season Only

WOOD, GAS & CHARCOAL DEVICES



FIRE PITS AND CHIMNEAS W/ 1/4" SCREEN AND CHARCOAL BBQ**



LPG OR NATURAL GAS FIREPITS, PORTABLE OR BUILT IN

BARBECUES



PROPANE



NATURAL GAS



PELLET

**Wood and charcoal burning devices may only be used with written permission from the homeowner, which must be in the possession of the person operating the fire. Due to county ordinance, wood and charcoal devices are not permitted for use in short-term/vacation rentals.

FEDERAL AND STATE LANDS CAMPFIRE RESTRICTIONS MAY DIFFER