



Natrona County Fire Protection District

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2024 Rules for Recreational Fires

Recreational Fires:

An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish. Typically used for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.

No fire permit is required for outdoor fireplaces, fire pits, and other recreational fire appliances. However, the following guidelines shall be observed.

1. The maximum fuel area is 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet high.
2. Solid fuel burning appliances may only be fueled by cut or split firewood.
3. Materials such as rubbish, construction materials, paper products, yard debris, branches, leaves, garbage, etc. cannot be burned.
4. Fires that **are contained** in burning appliance should be no closer than 15 feet from a building or combustible materials. (i.e. portable fire pit w/ spark arrestor)
5. Fires that **are not contained** in a burning appliance must be at least 25 feet from a building or combustible materials. (i.e. rock or brick open fire pit)
6. The appliance must utilize a screen or spark arrestor and it must be in place while burning.
7. Any conditions which could cause a fire to spread to within 25 feet of a building shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
8. A fire extinguisher of at least a 4-A rating or a charged water hose must be in close proximity to the appliance while burning.
9. Fires shall be constantly attended by a responsible adult of at least 18 years of age. The adult must be knowledgeable in the use of the fire extinguishing equipment provided.
10. The fire shall not be left unattended at any time until the fire is fully extinguished.
11. Fires shall not be ignited if wind exceeds 15 mph.
12. Fires shall not be ignited on days that the National Weather Service issues a Red Flag Warning or when the Natrona County Commissioners enact a full fire ban.
13. The Natrona County Fire District or Natrona County Sheriff's Department may order the fire to be discontinued if, in their opinion, the fire constitutes a hazardous condition or produces obnoxious smoke or odors that may cause a public nuisance.
14. Any person who ignites a recreational fire may be charged for fire suppression costs if control of the fire is lost and fire service personnel are called to respond. The Natrona County Fire Protection District assumes no responsibility for injuries to persons or damage to property that might occur as a result of recreational burning