

Natrona County Fire Protection District Rules for Open Burning

Open Burning: All open burning in areas under the jurisdiction of the Natrona County Fire Protection District shall require a permit as set forth in the International Fire Code.

2012 IFC 105.6.30 Open Burning: *An operational permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or a fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. Instructions and stipulations of the permit shall be adhered to.*

A permit can be obtained at the Natrona County Fire District Office located at 555 N. Robertson Rd between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Thursday and 8:00 am to Noon on Fridays. Call 234-8826 for questions.

The following permit requirements shall be met:

1. The permit holder must contact fire dispatch at 235-9300 prior to starting and at the completion of burning.
2. Materials shall be limited to wood, brush, grass, leaves and similar natural vegetation. **Absolutely no rubbish or trash shall be burned.**
3. Pile sizes shall be limited to 6 feet in diameter and 6 feet high. ***Burning of ditches, fields, lands or larger piles will not be allowed under this burn permit. A special permit must be applied for and approved by the Natrona County Fire District's Fire Marshal's Office.***
4. An area of 15 feet around the burn pile shall be maintained clear of any combustible material
5. Burn piles shall be a minimum of 50 feet from any structure
6. Burning will only be allowed between the hours of 6am and 11am
7. A fire extinguisher with a minimum of a 4-A rating, a water hose or a shovel with available dirt or sand shall be on hand while burning
8. A responsible adult of at least 18 years of age shall be in constant attendance of the open burn.
9. ***Open burning shall not be allowed on days where winds are in excess of 15 mph, Red Flag Days or when the Natrona County Commissioners enact a fire ban.***
10. Any Natrona County Fire District representative or Natrona County Sheriff's Deputy can call for the extinguishment of any open burn deemed to be a nuisance or dangerous condition.
11. Failure to comply with the rules set forth above may result in revocation of the burn permit for the remainder of the year in which it was issued.
12. The permit holder 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 open burning.