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BURN PERMITS REQUIRED May 1, 2024

Redding/Weaverville - CAL FIRE, Shasta-Trinity Unit, will be requiring burn permits for residential dooryard burning beginning at 8:00 A.M. on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**. CAL FIRE encourages safe dooryard burning by residents to reduce fire risk.

Burn permits can only be obtained online at: <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/>. Applicants can access the website to obtain a burn permit, which involves watching a short educational video and applying. The process provides the necessary information needed to conduct the burn safely while minimizing the chance for fire escape. Permits must be in possession either digitally or by printed copy, and burning may only be conducted on permissible burn days. Contact your local fire department or CAL FIRE to determine what permit requirements or burning restrictions apply in your area. Permits are valid beginning May 1st of each year and require annual renewal. Permits are issued free of charge.

Shasta County, Shasta County Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) may require an AQMD burn permit depending on the size of the burn operation. AQMD burn permits can be obtained at 1855 Placer Street in Redding or over the phone at 530-225-5674. The daily burn day status may be obtained by contacting SCAQMD at (530) 224-8777 or 1(800) 411-8728, or online at <https://www.shastacounty.gov/air-quality/page/burn-day-information>.

Trinity County, a North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (NCUAQMD) burn permit is required any time vegetation is burned. NCUAQMD burn permits can be obtained online at <http://www.ncuaqmd.org> or in person at 707 L Street, Eureka (M-F 9:00 to Noon and 1:00 to 4:00 pm). For more information, contact the NCUAQMD by calling (707) 443-3093. For burn day status, call the NCUAQMD Burn Day Information Line: (707) 443-7665 or (866) 287-6329. Burn Zone information is located on the NCUAQMD burn permit.

Eastern Trinity County, residents conducting dooryard burning on private property do not need an additional permit from CAL FIRE. The required NCUAQMD permit will suffice. For larger project (non-dooryard) burning, a Non-Standard permit is required by NCUAQMD, and an LE-5 burn permit shall be obtained from CAL FIRE online.

Residents are urged to take precautions while burning outdoors to prevent sparking a wildfire. A leading cause of wildfires this time of year is from escaped landscape debris burning. Before you burn, ensure it's a permissive burn day by contacting the local air quality district and then make sure you have all required burn permits.

As a reminder, always have a minimum 10-foot clearance down to bare mineral soil around all burn piles, have a shovel and a water source available, and an adult present during burning. Failure to follow these simple precautions may result in a citation and fines. For further information regarding residential burning or other fire safety tips, visit your local CAL FIRE Station or go to www.readyforwildfire.org.

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