



TUOLUMNE COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT RESIDENTIAL BURNING REQUIREMENTS

DO I NEED A BURN PERMIT FROM THE AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT?

- If you are burning less than 2 acres of vegetation from a single- or two-family residence, you do not need a burn permit from the Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District (APCD). You may still need a burn permit from Cal Fire or your local fire agency.

WHAT ARE MY REQUIREMENTS FOR BURNING?

- Burning must be conducted on a designated burn day. Call the APCD's burn line at (209) 533-5598 to determine the burn day status.
- **Only clean dry vegetation is allowed to be burned.** The burning of household garbage, trash, cardboard, plastic, treated lumber, metal, insulation, demolition debris, construction debris, or any other non-vegetation is prohibited. Burn barrels are prohibited from being used.
- Minimum Drying Time Requirements:

Vegetation Size	Drying Time
Green straw, stubble, grasses	3 days
Smaller than 6" in diameter	3- 6 weeks
Greater than 6" in diameter	6 weeks

- During Cal Fire non-restricted burning, the APCD recommends burning during daylight hours between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. for best smoke dispersion.
- Vegetation is required to be burned on the property where it was grown and cannot be transported offsite for disposal by burning.
- If smoke from your fire is drifting into a nearby populated area or is creating a nuisance, you are required to extinguish the fire or mitigate the smoke.
- Vegetation greater than 6" in diameter is not recommended to be burned and can be used for firewood.
- A violation of any of the above requirements is a misdemeanor and can result in penalties pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 42402.

ALTERNATIVES TO BURNING:

- Please contact the following green waste drop off sites:

Cal Sierra Waste Management	Wise Woodwork, Inc. (Formerly Green Works)	Wise Woodwork, Inc. (Formerly Plainview Slash Site)
14959 Camage Road	18629 Eagle Ridge Drive	HWY 108 & Plainview Drive
(209) 533-0445	(209) 586-5236	(209) 586-5236

If you have any questions or want to report a burn complaint, call the APCD office at (209) 533-5693.
For burn day information call the APCD's 24 hour burn line at (209) 533-5598