



TUOLUMNE COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT NON-RESIDENTIAL BURNING REQUIREMENTS

A BURN PERMIT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF BURNING:

- Hazard Reduction Burning: Industrial/commercial entities or landowners that are burning vegetation to reduce a fire hazard. Residential maintenance burning of more than two acres is classified as hazard reduction burning.
- Land Development Clearing: A contractor, land developer, or landowner clearing vegetation on property that is being developed for industrial, commercial, or residential purposes.
- Ditch and Road Maintenance: A public entity or utility burning road right of ways, levees, ditches or performing reservoir maintenance.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- A burn permit is required from the Tuolumne County Air Pollution Control District (APCD). You may also need a burn permit from your local fire agency.
- Burning must be conducted on a designated burn day. Call the APCD's burn line at (209) 533-5598 to determine the burn status.
- Prior to burning, call the APCD at (209) 533-5693 to request authorization; report quantity of vegetation to be burned; name of burner; and location of burn. Most burner receive authorization the day prior to the burn.
- **Only clean dry vegetation is allowed to be burned.** The burning of construction debris, trash, garbage, plastic, 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 period, burn 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.
- Burning stumps or vegetation greater than 6 inches in diameter is prohibited if you are burning for land development clearing purposes.
- A violation of any of the above requirements is a misdemeanor and can result in revocation of your burn permit and 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 (Formerly Green Works)	Wise Woodwork (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, call the APCD office at (209) 533-5693.
For burn day information call the APCD's 24-hour burn line at (209) 533-5598