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Siskiyou Unit



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BURN PERMITS REQUIRED May 1, 2026

Yreka, Ca- The CAL FIRE Siskiyou Unit will require residential burn permits **effective 6:00 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2026**, for any type of open burning within State Responsibility Areas (SRA) of Siskiyou County.

Greg Roath, Chief of the CAL FIRE Siskiyou Unit, is urging residents to stay alert and take proactive steps as fire season approaches. Escaped debris burns remain one of the leading causes of wildfires, making it critical to follow all safety guidelines when burning yard or agricultural waste. Before burning, always check current weather conditions, secure the proper permits, and maintain constant supervision of your burn piles. Never leave a fire unattended. As a safer alternative, residents are encouraged to take advantage of local green waste recycling and chipping programs. By staying prepared and working together, we can reduce wildfire risk and help protect our homes, communities, and natural landscapes

Dooryard Burning Requirements

- Burn only dry natural vegetation such as leaves, pine needles, and tree trimmings that originated on the property. Burning household garbage is not allowed.
- Piles should be no larger than 4-feet in diameter with 10-feet of clearance down to bare soil.
- A responsible adult must be in attendance at all times. Fires should never be left unattended.
- Must have a water supply available, such as charged garden hose or 5-gallon water extinguisher.
- Prior to burning, call the Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District at (530) 842-8123 to confirm the burn day status and any burn hour restrictions.
- **DO NOT** burn on windy days.

Residents that live in the SRA must have a valid Residential Burn Permit which can be obtained online from the CAL FIRE Burn Permit website located at <https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/>

Changing conditions may necessitate an early burn permit suspension. Please keep informed on burn permit suspensions or restrictions by contacting CAL FIRE at (530) 842-3516 or visit www.fire.ca.gov.

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