

ALTERNATIVES TO BURNING:

Recycling and composting information is available from the Pacific County Department of Community Development. Grinding yard debris makes composting easier and doesn't contribute to air pollution and/or health problems.

RESIDENTIAL BACKYARD BURNING PERMIT

This is your permit for residential backyard burning. You must sign this permit and have it with you when you burn. Please comply with all provisions in this permit. Failure to follow these guidelines could result in fines or penalties, and the cost of extinguishing your fire.

REMEMBER: You **must** call the burn information line to confirm if it is a burn day before lighting your fire. Call **(360) 665-3508**, any time during the day, 7 days a week.

*I have read the entire outdoor burning permit and understand the rules contained within. If I do not abide by these rules, I understand I will be liable for costs incurred by the fire protection authority called to respond to, control, or extinguish an illegal or out-of-control fire.
(See WAC 173-425-060(6))*

Signature

BUSINESS PHONE NUMBERS:

Pacific County Fire District #1 (360) 665-4451

Olympic Region Clean Air Agency 1-800-422-5623

THIS PERMIT EXPIRES ON 12/31/2026

BURNING PERMIT

For Residential Outdoor Burning In

**PACIFIC COUNTY
FIRE DISTRICT 1**

**SOUTHWEST
PACIFIC COUNTY
WASHINGTON**

BEFORE BURNING, PLEASE CALL

(360)665-3508

TO CONFIRM IF IT IS A BURN DAY

(Permit effective January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2026)

OUTDOOR BURNING IN FIRE DISTRICT 1

The following information should answer your questions regarding residential outdoor burning in Pacific County Fire District 1.

Effective January 1, 2007, outdoor burning was banned in Long Beach, Ilwaco, and certain areas of Seaview.

DO I NEED A PERMIT TO BURN IN FIRE DISTRICT 1?

Backyard barbecue pits and recreational campfires are exempt. Beach fires are also allowed - 100 feet west of the dune grass line and are limited in size to 4' x 4' x 3' (WAC 173-425-030).

All other burning requires a permit.

RESIDENTIAL BACKYARD BURNING: This is your permit for backyard burning. It allows you to burn small piles of natural vegetation (4'x4'x3'). **Please read the following information carefully, sign it, and keep it with you at all times while you are burning.**

Requirements for Backyard Burning:

- Burn piles shall be no larger than 4'x 4'x 3'. Burn one pile at a time.
- Fires should be kept ten (10) feet from property lines and fifty (50) feet from buildings or dune grass, and at least 500 feet from forest slash.
- The fire must be in a safe location, and free from any debris and/or combustible material.
- Containers used for outdoor burning must be brick or concrete. **Burn barrels may not be used** (WAC 173-425-050).
- Burning shall be conducted only during daylight hours, and fires may not be ignited in winds greater than five (5) miles per hour and ignited fires must be extinguished when winds reach ten (10) miles per hour
- **The fire must be comprised of natural vegetation only**; and may not contain any materials such as garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, rubber products, paints, plastics, paper, cardboard, treated wood, construction or demolition debris, metal or any substance which when burned releases toxic emissions, dense smoke, or odors.
(WAC 173-425-040)

- If the fire creates a nuisance and/or health hazard, it must be extinguished.
- Someone capable of extinguishing the fire must be in attendance at all times, with a shovel and sufficient water available. The fire must be extinguished before leaving.
- Caution should be exercised in extinguishing the fire: coals should be completely extinguished and spread out to reduce the possibility of rekindling.

OTHER TYPES OF PERMITS AVAILABLE FROM PACIFIC COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT 1:

SPECIAL BURNING PERMIT: This permit is for natural vegetation on improved property in a pile 10' x 10' or smaller. Permits must be requested at least 24 hours in advance, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mon. through Fri. A site inspection is necessary prior to issuance of a Special Burning Permit. **PERMIT FEE \$25.00**

LAND CLEARING PERMIT: This permit is for natural vegetation on unimproved property in a pile no larger than 20' x 20' x 15'. Permits must be requested at least 24 hours in advance, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mon. through Fri. A site inspection is necessary prior to issuance of a Land Clearing Permit. **PERMIT FEE \$75.00**

AGRICULTURAL BURNING PERMIT: For more information on agricultural burning permits within Pacific County Fire District 1, call 665-4451.

HAULED MATERIAL: No outdoor fire may contain material (other than firewood) that has been hauled from an area where outdoor burning of the material is prohibited under (WAC 173-425-040).

ARE THERE RESTRICTED BURN DAYS? Burning may be banned or restricted in the event of impaired air quality as determined by Olympic Region Clean Air Agency, or extreme fire danger as determined by WA Department of Natural Resources or local fire officials.

Before burning, call (360)665-3508 to confirm if it is a burn day. For more information, visit our website: www.pcf1.org