

Ruston Fire Department
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Ruston Fire Department Outdoor Recreational Fire

“RECREATIONAL FIRE” means cooking fires and campfires using charcoal or dried firewood that occur in designated areas or on private property for cooking, pleasure, or ceremonial purposes. Fires lit in chimineas, fire pits, fire bowls and similar free-standing devices, commonly sold at home-improvement stores fall under this definition.

Fires used for yard debris disposal purposes are not considered recreational fires!

The following outdoor recreational burning requirements shall be adhered to and followed as a condition of approval by the Ruston Fire Department. A copy of these requirements, SIGNED BY RUSTON CHIEF OFFICER, must be always posted in plain sight and accessible by fire department personnel when any outdoor burning is taking place. The Chief, or a delegate is authorized to require that recreational fires be immediately discontinued if it has been determined that smoke emissions are offensive to occupants of any surrounding property or if the open burning is determined to constitute a hazardous condition.

- Fires shall be no larger than three (3) feet in diameter and two (2) feet in height, consisting of charcoal, dried firewood, or manufactured fire logs. It is illegal to burn anything else.
- Buckets, shovels, garden hoses or a fire extinguisher with a minimum rating of 4-A shall be readily available for use within (25) feet of all recreational fires.
- Recreational fires shall be constantly attended by a person knowledgeable in the use of fire-extinguishing equipment described above. An attendant shall supervise a recreational fire until such fire has been extinguished.
- Containing garbage, dead animals, asphalt, petroleum products, dimensional lumber, paints, rubber products, plastics, or any substance which normally emits dense smoke or obnoxious odors.
- During any stage of an air pollution episode or period of impaired air quality as determined by the Ruston Fire Department.
- Conducted within (25) feet of a combustible structure or combustible materials. This distance may be within (15) feet structure or combustible materials when fire is contained in a container approved by the Ruston Fire Department.
- It is always illegal to smoke out your neighbor. If smoke from your fire bothers your neighbor, damages their property, or otherwise causes a nuisance, you must immediately extinguish the fire.
- No outdoor fires after 11:00 pm.

Name _____ Address _____

Contact Phone Numbers (home) _____ (cell) _____

When ready for Permit Inspection, please contact Chief Allen at 253-330-7755.

Date: _____

Signature Approved By: _____

Print Name Approved By: _____