

# Open Burning for Residents

## Introduction:

Some activities, operations and use require a Fire Permit, this standard focuses on activities that do not require a Fire Permit, but are regulated by the CFC and must be performed with caution not to create a fire hazard.

**The San Rafael Fire Department (SRFD) does not allow outdoor fires for the burning of yard waste, rubbish, construction debris, brush, etc.**

## Current Regulation - Standard #11-0701

### Fire Permits:

Open burning, bonfires, and recreational fires are strictly prohibited within the jurisdiction without a Fire Permit issued by SRFD.

Campfires are strictly prohibited within the jurisdiction; there are no approved campgrounds located within the City of San Rafael, therefore no Fire Permit will be issued for a campfire.

A Fire Permit issued by SRFD is required prior to kindling a fire, or engaging in the activity, operation or use regarding outdoor fire or open burning, which is not specifically included in this standard.

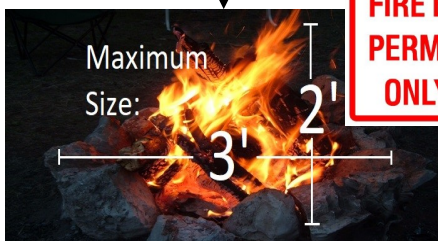
### Portable Outdoor Fireplaces:

Portable outdoor fireplaces are available through many local stores. A portable outdoor fireplace may be used within the jurisdiction of SRFD without a Fire Permit; the fireplace must be used in accordance with all of the manufacturer's safety requirements found in the user's manual.



**Recreational fires** are prohibited on

Red Flag  
Warning  
Days,  
County  
wide.



### Fire Department Response to Complaints:

If the SRFD receives a complaint regarding fire, we will respond and can, at the discretion of the Fire Officer, extinguish the fire for any violation of the above conditions, or if the fire is creating a hazard. A \$500.00 citation may be issued for any violation of the SRMC.

Public complaints about a fire hazard should be directed to the Marin County Communications Center at (415) 453-1515.

**In case of a fire emergency dial 911 immediately.**

### Deliberate or Negligent Burning:

It shall be unlawful to deliberately or through negligence set fire to or cause the burning of combustible material in such a manner as to endanger the safety of persons or property.



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