



CITY OF RIVERSIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

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RECREATIONAL FIRES

2022 California Fire Code (CFC) Section 307.3

- Recreational fires are not to be wider than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet high.
- Before and after burning (totally extinguishing fire), contact Police/Fire dispatch at (951) 354-2007 and let them know you are going to have a recreational fire.
- Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material unless contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions, which could cause a fire to spread to within 25 feet of a structure, shall be eliminated prior to ignition. CFC, Section 307.4.2
- Buckets, shovels, garden hoses or a water type fire extinguisher shall be readily available for use at recreational fires. CFC, Section 307.5
- A person knowledgeable in the use of fire-extinguishing equipment shall constantly attend recreational fires. An attendant shall supervise a recreational fire until such fire has been extinguished. CFC, Section 307.5
- BBQ pits outside of buildings shall not be located within 15 feet of a structure. CFC, Section 307.4

How can I find out if there is a mandatory wood-burning curtailment in my neighborhood?

- Using SCAQMD's interactive residential no-burn alert map by entering an address or ZIP code in the search area.
- Signing up for SCAQMD Air Alerts sent via e-mail
- Calling 866-966-3293 for Check Before You Burn information

The Fire Department is authorized to require that recreational fires be immediately discontinued if such fires are determined to constitute a hazardous condition.

These requirements are in accordance with the California Fire Code Section 307