Outdoor Burning

Outdoor burning is prohibited in Kenmore and Lake Forest Park except for recreational fires conducted in accordance with the regulations set forth below as well as other regulations that may be enforced by the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency.



Definition:

A **recreational fire** is an outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.

Location:

Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible materials. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

Attendance:

Recreational fires and the use of portable outdoor fireplaces shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel or garden hose shall be available for immediate use.

Prohibited open burning:

A recreational fire that is offensive or objectionable because of smoke or odor emissions or when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited. The fire department is authorized to order the extinguishment of any recreational fire that creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

Additional information can be obtained from the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency at:

http://pscleanair.org/328/Outdoor-Burning

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