What Can I Burn With My Permit?

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Brush

Leaves

Needles

Grass

Clean wood

♦ Unrecyclable paper*
♦ Wire

Unrecyclable cardboard*









Metal

Aluminum

Vinyl products

Rubber products
Oil-based products

Painted or stained wood



*Remember, recycling of clean paper and cardboard is required!

What if I Fail to Obtain a Permit or Check the Daily Restrictions?

It's your responsibility to have the annual permit available and ready to show to law enforcement personnel or firefighters if requested at any time while burning.

If you fail to obtain a permit or check the daily restrictions, you risk burning illegally or unsafely, and may be subject to a citation. Furthermore, if your fire escapes and starts a wildfire, you may be held liable for all suppression costs.

What if the Phone or Internet is Not Accessible?

Phone and internet access will always be available, but if those options are not available to you, be sure contact your local DNR Ranger Station or Emergency Fire Warden to check burn restrictions for the day. Do not burn unless you can determine what the burning restrictions are in place for the day you wish to burn.

Touch Tone County Codes

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County	Code	Spell	County	Code	Spell
Adams	01	. 2326	Marathon	37 .	6272
Ashland			Marinette	38.	6274
Barron			Marquette	39.	6277
Bayfield	04.	. 2293	Menominee	40.	6366
Brown*			Milwaukee*		
Buffalo*			Monroe		
Burnett			Oconto		
Calumet*			Oneida	44.	. 6634
Chippewa	09.	2447	Outagamie*		
Clark	10.	2527	Ozaukee*		
Columbia			Pepin*	47 .	7374
Crawford			Pierce*	48.	7437
Dane			Polk		
Dodge*	14.	. 3634	Portage	50.	7678
Door*			Price	51.	7742
Douglas	16.	. 3684	Racine*	52.	7224
Dunn*			Richland	53.	7424
Eau Claire			Rock*		
Florence	19.	3567	Rusk	55.	7875
Fond du Lac			St. Croix*		
Forest			Sauk		
Grant	22.	4726	Sawyer		
Green*	23.	4733	Shawano		
Green Lake			Sheboygan*		
lowa			Taylor	61.	. 8295
lron			Trempealea	u* .62.	8736
lackson	27 .	. 5225	Vernon*		
lefferson*			Vilas	64.	. 8452
luneau	29.	. 5863	Walworth*		
Kenosha*	30.	. 5366	Washburn		
Kewaunee*.	31.	. 5392	Washington	*67.	9274
LaCrosse*	32	5227	Waukesha*.		
Lafayette*	33.	. 5232	Waupaca		
Langlade	34.	. 5264	Waushara	70.	9287
Lincoln	35.	. 5462	Winnebago*		
Manitowoc*	36.	6264	Wood	72	. 9663

*Indicates a county where the DNR does not set burning permit requirements.

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Why Does the DNR Issue Burning Permits?

Every year hundreds of wildfires in Wisconsin are started as a result of careless outdoor burning. Burning permits, if used appropriately, are an important tool in wildfire prevention. They allow the public to burn safely in the outdoors and are proven to be effective in protecting lives, property, and natural resources from the damages of unwanted wildfires.

What Do I Need a Permit for?

DNR burning permits are issued to residential landowners for burning on the ground and in barrels when the ground is not completely snow-covered (see the Forest Fire Protection map for exceptions). These no-cost permits are good for the calendar year and are non-transferable.

Special burning permits and permits for commercial contractors may be issued for larger quantities, all day burning, and broadcast burns exceeding the local maximum size limit. Contact your local DNR Ranger Station for more information.

What Are the Simple Steps to Burning Safely?

- 1. Obtain the annual permit from a local Ranger Station or Emergency Fire Warden
- 2. Check daily for burn restrictions after 11:00 a.m. on the internetor over the phone:
 - Visit: dnr.wi.gov/forestry/fire
 Click on "View Burning Permit Restrictions"
 and select your county on the map.

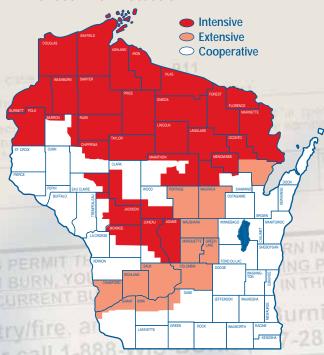
Or

Dial: 1-888-WIS-BURN (947-2876)

Enter the two-digit county code (see list of Touch Tone County Codes)

- or spell by name using the first four letters of the county.
- **3**. Be certain to read your permit and follow the daily burn restrictions

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Who Makes the Rules Where I Plan to Burn?

It is your responsibility to know where you are burning and what restrictions apply. DNR annual burning permits are only valid within DNR Protection Areas and outside incorporated cities and villages. Remember, you must also comply with local ordinances which may be more restrictive than state law. Contact your local fire department, town chairperson, or local municipal official if you have any questions.

Intensive Protection Areas are regulated by the DNR and require a burning permit throughout the year whenever the ground is not completely snow covered.

Extensive Protection Areas are regulated by the DNR and require a burning permit whenever the ground is not completely snow covered from January 1 through May 31 and other times when the DNR so orders.

Cooperative Fire Protection Areas are not regulated by the DNR. These areas, and areas within incorporated cities and villages, are regulated by town chairpersons, or local and county officials.

What Types of Restrictions Could be in Effect?

Based on the current fire danger, the internet and toll-free phone number will provide you with the most up-to-date fire restrictions. The restrictions will tell you if burning permits are required, if burning is allowed, the hours of burning, any size limitations, or if burning has been suspended for the day due to high forest fire danger.



Do I Need a Permit for a Campfire?

Campfires, for warming or cooking purposes, do not require a burning permit and are allowed anytime except during Emergency Burning Restrictions. Burning in a fire ring with the intent to remove debris is not a campfire and therefore a permit is required.