



Safe Burning Requirements

- General burn permits are required for debris burning and the use of burn barrels from April 1 to August 31. To obtain a permit, go to <http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn> or stop in at your local Division of Forestry office.
- Debris piles must be 10 feet in diameter or less and no more than 4 feet tall.
- Burn only one debris pile at a time and keep the pile small and manageable, feeding the pile as you burn.
- Construct a fire break 10 feet wide down to mineral soil around debris piles and at least 6 feet wide around burn barrels before lighting the fire.
- Don't burn during windy periods. Check your local area conditions by phone or go to <http://forestry.alaska.gov/burn>
- Never leave a fire of any kind unattended. Have at least 1 adult attend the fire at all times until the fire is completely out.
- Have sufficient tools and water on site to control the fire and prevent it from spreading.
- Do not burn debris piles or burn barrels within 30 feet of structures or under utility lines.
- You are only allowed to burn paper, untreated wood, and organic debris in a burn barrel.
- Burn piles must contain only untreated, unpainted wood and organic material.
- If you plan on burning anything larger than a 10-foot diameter debris pile you must call the Alaska Division of Forestry to apply for a large-scale permit and a DOF prevention officer must inspect the pile before you burn.
- Call 911 immediately if there is a wildland fire emergency.