



DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

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BURNING PERMIT GUIDE **YOU AND YOUR BURNING PERMIT**

There are four types of permits that allow open burning in El Dorado County. Three of these burn permits are issued by CAL FIRE and local Fire Agencies (LE-62A, LE-63, & LE-5).

An LE-5 and an Air Quality Management District permit are required for piles larger than 4x4 feet.

The California Campfire Permit or LE-63 is issued to individuals camping outside an improved campground. They are valid from the date of issuance to the 31st of December of that same year. This permit is issued by both the federal and California State wildland fire agencies. Permittees are responsible for knowing the specific restrictions for using campfires on National Forest or BLM lands. A person camping on private property, not designated as an improved campground, must have the written permission of the property owner allowing use of a campfire on the owner's property. This written permission must be in the possession of the permittee in order to make the California Campfire Permit valid. Permittee's must clear all flammable material to bare mineral soil for 5 feet around the campfire and have a shovel available at the campfire site. A responsible person must be in attendance at all times and the campfire must be completely extinguished if no one is in attendance.

Campfire Permits (LE-63) are also available online at:

<http://www.preventwildfire.ca.org/Campfire-Permit/>

Residential Burn Permit/Burn Pile or LE-62A is issued to residents who have a house on their property. It is not issued for burning on vacant land. An LE-62A is valid for a period of three years from the date of issuance. By law a LE-62A is required from May 1st until the CAL FIRE Director declares the end of fire season in the fall. Residents may only burn vegetation (leaves, tree branches, limbs, piled brush, etc.) that originates from their property. The piles will be no larger than 4x4 feet. A 10-foot diameter clearance to bare mineral soil of all flammable material must be provided around the burn pile prior to lighting. An adult must be in attendance during permit use. The adult must have a shovel and water available for containing and extinguishing the burn pile. The burn pile must be extinguished before it can be left unattended. The person who signed the burning permit is responsible for its safe use.

Residential Burn Permits become void once burning is suspended by the CAL FIRE Director. Suspension of Residential Burn Permits generally occurs when fire conditions are elevated to a level that residential burning is no longer safe. The suspension will likely last into the fall when there is enough rainfall to allow permitted burning again safely.

Residential Burn Permits (LE-62A) are now available online at (online residential burn permits expire December 31st of the year of issuance):

<https://burnpermit.fire.ca.gov/>

****For burn piles larger than 4x4 feet, both permits below are required****

Interagency Burning Permit or LE-5 must be acquired at a CAL FIRE station and is issued to land owners who burn larger than 4x4 foot dimensioned burn piles or burn on vacant land. A LE-5 is required from May 1st until fire season is terminated by the CAL FIRE Director. An inspection of the property by a CAL FIRE Officer may be required prior to permit issuance. Fire officers can list any conditions on the permit they determine are necessary for public safety. These conditions may include when the pile(s) can be burned, pre-burn notifications to CAL FIRE, or weather-based restrictions.

The LE-5 is also issued for welding operations, grinding operations, etc. LE-5's requested by timber companies are issued by the CAL FIRE area forester.

**A permit from the El Dorado County Air Quality Management District is also required to burn oversized piles.*

Air Quality Management District Permit is required for any burning of piles larger than 4x4 feet. This permit is issued for residential, agricultural, land clearing and forestry management burning. The permit is only valid on permissive BURN DAYS. Only vegetation (leaves, tree branches, limbs, piled brush, etc.) that originates from the property may be burned. The smoke must be managed so that it does not negatively impact neighboring residents.

**A LE-5 permit from the CAL FIRE is also required to burn oversized piles.*

A permit can be obtained at the AQMD office (345 Fair Ln, Placerville CA, 95667), via FAX or via the webpage. CONSERVATION IS WISE-KEEP CALIFORNIA GREEN AND GOLDEN PLEASE REMEMBER TO CONSERVE ENERGY. FOR TIPS AND INFORMATION, VISIT "FLEX YOUR POWER" AT WWW.CA.GOV.

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CAL FIRE Stations:

El Dorado County

El Dorado (CAL FIRE)..... (530) 622-3858
5660 Mother Lode Dr, Placerville, 95667
(Open year-round)

Camino (CAL FIRE) (530) 647-5227 or (530) 644-2345
2840 Mt Danaher Rd, Camino, 95709
(Open year-round)

Cameron Park Fire Protection District (530) 677-6190
3200 Country Club, Cameron Park, 95682
(Open year-round)

Garden Valley (CAL FIRE)..... (530) 333-4551
15061 Marshall Rd, P O Box 126, Garden Valley, 95633
(Intermittent Staffing during the Winter)

Pilot Hill (CAL FIRE)..... (530) 333-2306
4731 Pedro Hill Rd, Pilot Hill, 95664
(Intermittent Staffing during the Winter)

El Dorado County Air Quality Management District

330 Fair Lane, Placerville CA, 95667 (530) 621-7501
www.edcgov.us/AirQualityManagement
AQMD@edcgov.us

Burn Day Information Line:
(530) 621-5897