



Burn Permit Application and Open Burning Regulations

Application for authorization of a bonfire, brush pile, ceremonial fire, or permitted agriculture or range management fire.

\$50 Nonrefundable Application Fee, must be received 5 business days in advance of burn.

Fee \$ _____
Date Paid _____

APPLICANT

Name of Person Requesting Permit:
Must be present at all times during burn.

Property Owner:

Email:

Phone:

Mailing Address:

Physical Address:

BURN INFORMATION

Purpose/Event:

Materials to be Burned:

Burn Address:

Fire extinguishing equipment available:

Burn Location Description:
Map may be provided.

List the Dates and Hours of Burn:

By signing this permit, I agree that I will comply with all the requirements listed. By signing this application, you agree that you are the person in control of the location of the burn and agree and understand you are responsible for complying with all statutes, codes and ordinances concerning open burning regulations. Open burning shall comply with the International Fire Code.

Applicant's signature

Date

Property owner's signature

Date

Fire Code Official signature

Date

Permit holders are required to contact the Lander Dispatch Center at 332-3131 after application is approved prior to burning and at burning completion.



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Burn Permit information and applicable codes and regulations

City Ordinance 11-2-5.1 Burning of Waste Prohibited- It shall be unlawful for any person to burn rubbish, garbage, refuse or any waste, combustible substances or materials within the city limits. A burn permit is required for any person to burn leaves, brush, grass or any untreated wood products. A violation of this Ordinance is a misdemeanor punishable in accordance with the City of Lander Municipal Bond Schedule.

A permit is not required for a recreational fire. A recreational fire is an outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish, garbage, refuse or any waste, combustible substances or materials with a total fire area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth, or similar purposes. The fire must be in an approved container. An approved container is one that is either a purchased outdoor fireplace, homemade non-combustible fire pit, a hole in the ground, or a fire ring. Recreational fires can only be done on privately owned property. Any person who has a recreational fire on privately owned property shall be responsible for any damage that occurs from said fire. Outdoor grills, barbecues, and charcoal grills are exempt from the permit. A burn permit is required for kindling a bonfire (see section IFC 307.4.1), slash pile (debris resulting from such natural events as wind, fire, or snow breakage: or such human activities as road construction, logging, pruning, thinning, or brush cutting. It includes logs, chunks, bark, branches, stumps, and broken understory trees or brush.) or when performing agricultural burns (grass/brush).

A permit is required to perform these burns pursuant to the following: Open burning shall comply with the International Fire Code:

- **307.1 Prohibited open burning.** Open burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous. Exceptions: Prescribed burning for the purpose of reducing the impact of wildland fire when authorized by the fire code official.
- **307.2 Permit Required.** A permit shall be obtained from the fire code official in accordance with Section 105.6 prior to kindling a fire for recognized silvicultural or range or wildlife management practices, prevention or control of disease or pests, or a bonfire. Application for such approval shall only be presented by and permits issued to the owner of the land upon which the fire is to be kindled.
- **307.2.1 Authorization.** Where required by state or local law or regulations, open burning shall only be permitted with prior approvals from the state or local air and water quality management authority, provided that all conditions specified in the authorization are followed.
- **307.3 Extinguishment authority.** When open burning creates or adds to a hazardous situation, or required permit for open burning has not been obtained, the fire code official is authorized to order the extinguishment of open burning operation.
- **307.4 Location.** The location of open burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure. Exceptions:
1. Fire in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet from structure
2. The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet where the pile size is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.
- **307.4.1 Bonfires.** A bonfire shall not be conducted within 500 feet of a structure. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 500 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition. Definition:
Ceremonial Fire (bonfire) means an outdoor fire larger than three feet by three feet by three feet (3'x3'x3')



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which is used for entertainment purposes as part of a specifically scheduled public or private event and excludes leaves, grass or shrubbery clippings or cuttings.

- **307.4.2 Recreational Fires.** Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
- **307.4.3 Portable outdoor fireplaces.** Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. Exceptions: Portable outdoor fireplaces used at one- and two-family dwellings.
- Open burning, bonfires, recreational fires and 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 on-site fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.