

## Volente Fire Department-ESD 14

### Controlled Burn Guidelines

- Winds need to be currently as well as forecasted to be between 6-15 MPH
- No thunderstorms or fronts forecasted that will cause wind changes.
- Humidity needs to be above 35 %
- Temperatures needs to remain below 95\*
- Person burning needs to have adequate means to extinguish fire. (water, back hoe, etc)
- Fire may only be started after you receive confirmation from the Fire Department. Fire must be extinguished by 5:00 pm.
- Burn nothing that is toxic or will make black smoke.
- You must fill out an application with the Fire Department. (no cost)

Campfires, bonfires, and cooking fires are legal as long as controlled burns are approved for the day.

Burning of domestic waste is NOT legal (food waste, household refuse, paper,).

Brush from land clearing may be burned *when there is no practical alternative*.

You may never burn the following materials: electrical insulation, treated lumber, plastics, non- wood construction debris, heavy oils, asphalt materials like tarpaper or roofing, explosive materials, chemical wastes, natural or synthetic rubber.

1. All controlled burns must be permitted and **confirmed** daily with VFD station at 258-1114.
2. **You must** receive permission from the station prior to burning each day, if the crew is out of the station, leave a call back number, the crew will confirm with you if conditions are favorable to burn that day.
3. **All material must be site generated only.**
4. All fires must be continually monitored by a responsible party.
5. Keep the burn small, a four-foot square. Feed it slowly. You must be able to put the fire out if weather conditions change.
6. Be sure you have a wide clearance of non-combustible ground on all sides.
7. Have enough water, loose soil, and equipment available that you can extinguish the fire quickly if necessary. Have a phone to dial 9-1-1 if needed.
8. Be sure you are downwind of all neighboring residences (or at least 300 feet away). If neighbors complain, the fire must be extinguished.
9. **Be sure your fire is dead-out, cold by 5:00 pm.**

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