

Did you know? It is **illegal** to burn these materials in an outdoor fire **anywhere** in Washington:



Paint



Garbage



Asphalt



Cardboard



Tires



Plastic



Metals



Pesticide Containers



Lumber



Construction Debris



Paper



Petroleum Products



Dead Animals



Demolition Debris

The materials shown above create toxic smoke when burned. Breathing this smoke can harm your health.

In some areas of Washington, **all** outdoor burning is banned. See the back of this flyer for more information.

Outdoor burning is **banned** in all
Urban Growth Areas
of Washington State.

Not sure if you're in an Urban Growth area?

Visit www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/aginfo/ugamaps.htm
for maps of Washington's Urban Growth Areas.

If burning yard waste is banned in your area, or
if you choose not to burn for health reasons,
there are plenty of other ways to dispose of yard waste.
These include:

- Chipping
- Composting
- Curbside pickup
- Community-wide or neighborhood cleanup days
- Taking your yard waste to a landfill
(many landfills in Washington have reduced
fees or special fees for yard waste)

More information about outdoor burning is
available online at:

www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference

or by calling:

In Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Franklin, Garfield,
Grant, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Stevens,
Walla Walla, Whitman counties: (509) 329-
3400

In Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan
counties: (509) 575-2490

In all western Washington counties, plus
Benton, Yakima, Spokane counties: The number
for the local air quality agency as shown at
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/local.html>

**Other things you should know
before you do any
outdoor burning:**

- ✓ Burning in a burn barrel is illegal
everywhere in Washington!
- ✓ You can burn only natural vegetation.
- ✓ If smoke from your fire affects your
neighbor, you must put out your fire.
- ✓ Burning is not the only way to get rid of
natural vegetation. Consider composting &
chipping. See
www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference
for more information.
- ✓ Call and follow the Burn Day hotline,
1-800-406-5322.
- ✓ Where burning is allowed, your burn pile
must be less than 4' x 4' x 3' and you may
burn only one pile at a time.
- ✓ Do not leave your fire unattended.
- ✓ No residential fires are allowed
within 500 feet of forest slash.
- ✓ No fires are allowed within 50 feet of
structures.
- ✓ You can't burn materials hauled from
another property in your fire.
- ✓ No outdoor fires are allowed when air
pollution levels are unhealthy.
- ✓ No burning is allowed after sunset, unless
your permit specifically allows it.
- ✓ Always check with your local fire
department for permit and safety
requirements before you light any
outdoor fire.
- ✓ If you see someone you think is burning
illegally, or if the smoke from someone's
fire is bothering you, call Ecology's toll-
free complaint line at 1-866-211-6284.