



Lamont County Emergency Services FIRE PERMIT GUIDELINES

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Number of Permits and Locations

A maximum of five (5) land locations are allowed per fire permit. The locations on one fire permit must be within the same fire district. Up to five (5) permits may be issued at one time to the same person.

Duration of Permits

Fire permits may be issued for a period of fourteen (14) days. The fire guardian may extend a fire permit beyond the excluded dates (holidays/long weekends) to allow for fourteen days of burning.

Excluded Burn Dates

There will be **NO** burning on long weekends (Friday to Monday), October 31, and December 23 to January 2 inclusive (Christmas Break). Burning will be allowed on a statutory holiday that falls in the middle of the week and does not makeup part of a long weekend.

Burning Brush Piles **NEW POLICY**

Brush Piles are **restricted to a 15m diameter with 50m between piles**. Older piles in the form of windrows must have special permission from Lamont County. Please contact the county officer **PRIOR** to submitting a permit request for these types of piles.

- Brush piles will only be burned from **November 1 to March 31**
- Permit must be on site.
- Permit holder must be the landowner or a designate.
- Permit holder or responsible designate must monitor the fire(s) (see below) and is responsible until the fire is extinguished. March Through April you may request to have your burn sites scanned with Thermal imaging. Please document locations as snow may still cover sites. This is a free service and reduces the risk of spring fires.

Reasonable Monitoring of Fire

- When there is little or no snow cover but ground is tilled black, monitor every 2 hrs.
- When there is an adequate snow cover of 6", monitor every 8hrs.
- When there is neighboring trees or buildings, monitor every hour.

Fire Guard and Snow Cover

- A minimum 15 m fire guard is required and must be worked until soil cover is black unless there is adequate snow cover.
- Adequate snow cover is a minimum six (6") inches which could withstand some melting and drying while fire is burning.

Restrictions

- Up to three brush piles may be burned at a time within a distance of one half mile.
- No burning on muskeg or peat land.
- Only one location at a time.
- Only one fire permit in effect at a time.
- Only one fire district at a time.

Responsibility

Permit holder is responsible for the care, control and extinguishment of the fire. The burning permit must be on the site of the fire along with the permit holder or responsible designate to supervise the burn. Permit holders are no longer required to phone the fire department before starting a burn but must fulfill all other permit requirements. Permit holders are responsible for reading and adhering to the conditions and regulations.

Remember: YOU will be responsible for all costs associated with fires resulting from violation of these guidelines or poor burning practices.

PLEASE BURN SAFELY !