

PARK COUNTY STAGE I AND STAGE II FIRE BANS

There will only be two Fire Ban stages within Park County: Stage I and Stage II. To reduce confusion and standardize the restrictions, the following criteria will be used in all Orders:

Stage I: The following acts are prohibited on **all private property, public land, roads and trails described herein**, until further notice:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire except a fire within a permanent constructed fire grate in a developed campground. This includes charcoal.
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
3. Fireworks.

Exemptions:

- a. Persons with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.
- b. Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.
- c. Persons conducting activities in those designated areas where the activity is specifically authorized by written posted notice.
- d. Any Federal, State or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Stage II: The following acts are prohibited on **private property and all public property** until further notice:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire or campfire.
2. Smoking except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
3. Operating a chain saw without a USDA or SAE approved spark arresting device properly installed and in effective working order, and have a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher of not less than 8 ounces capacity by weight, and possessing one large size pointed shovel with an overall length of at least 36 inches. The extinguisher shall be with the chain saw operator the shovel may be kept with the fueling supplies, but readily available for quick use.
4. Operating motorized vehicles off designated roads or trails.
5. Blasting, welding or other activities, which generate flame or flammable material.
6. Fireworks and recreational shooting.

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Individual Fire Protection Districts may impose stricter restrictions than listed above within their respective district boundaries