



# Western Lane Fire and EMS and Rescue

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## Burn Permit – Back Yard

Permit Valid from: **November 1, 2022 – June 15, 2023**

Property owner \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Burn Site \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

**By Filling out the above information indicates and validates that the information below was read by the permittee.**

### **IMPORTANT PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

- ◆ **NO OPEN BURNING ALLOWED IN FLORENCE CITY LIMITS by city ordinance – allowed are recreational/warming/cooking/campfires with pre-cut wood only.**
- ◆ This permit must be on the premises when burning activity occurs.
- ◆ This permit is valid during the residential open burning season. Although the season is defined as being from October to June, it may be closed at any time when poor air quality or fire danger is present. **Call the Burn Advisory Line 541-997-1757 each day before burning to confirm that burning is allowed.**
- ◆ **On the day of burning:** call Western Lane Fire and EMS Dept at 541-997-3212 to advise that you are burning that day, leave a message after hours/weekend with your burn address.
- ◆ This permit only allows the burning of backyard vegetation. “Backyard Vegetation” is defined by the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA) as woody yard debris, leaves or grass clippings which have been generated from the yard of a residential dwelling. **Burn barrels are NOT allowed.**
- ◆ Burn pile sizes must be no larger than 3 cubic yards, i.e., 9’x3’x3’. Multiple piles may be burned at one time.
- ◆ Allow a minimum of 50 feet clearance between burn piles and combustibles not to be burned.
- ◆ Firefighting equipment required nearby when burning: Shovel and an adequate water supply.
- ◆ An adult must attend the fire from the time it is started until it is extinguished.
- ◆ All backyard burning fires **must be extinguished by the end of day** (follow Burn Advisory Line instructions).

### **▪ IMPORTANT: READ THIS INFORMATION BEFORE BURNING ▪**

This permit does not relieve the permittee from responsibility for the payment of costs for the suppression or for the damages if the burning escapes control. Oregon Law provides for civil and criminal penalties for burning which is conducted in a manner inconsistent with the terms and conditions of this burn permit.

- ◆ **Call the burn advisory line 541-997-1757 every day prior to lighting a burn pile. You may also check LRAPA’s web-site at [www.lrapa.org](http://www.lrapa.org). AND call Western Lane Fire and EMS 541-997-3212 to advise that you are burning that day.**
- ◆ Keep the yard debris pile dry by covering with plastic until ready to burn. Remove plastic before lighting.
- ◆ Use small, dry wood to start a fire like one would for a campfire. Add small amounts of yard debris to the fire, keeping it burning hot and clean with little smoke.
- ◆ Yard debris should be of a diameter that will burn in a one-day time span, as allowed by LRAPA (i.e., stumps are too large). The purpose of this restriction is to ensure that the debris will be burned by the evening, before an inversion layer traps the smoke. This will help keep the air clean for residents who may have respiratory difficulties.
- ◆ **Never** use flammable liquids to start a fire. Accelerants can be invisible until ignited, and explosive.
- ◆ Maintain a safe area around the burn pile where children are not allowed.
- ◆ Recycle yard debris instead of burning. It keeps the air cleaner and can be done all year. Drop off at Lane County Transfer Station on 2820 N Rhododendron Dr, Mon-Sat 8 am – 6 pm
- ◆ **If a fire burns out of control, call 9-1-1 immediately.**

To report a complaint about burning, call the LRAPA complaint line at 541-726-1930