



FOOTHILLS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

(In Case of Emergency Dial 911)

RECREATIONAL FIRES

Definition: *An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.*

Location: *Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.*

Attendance: *Recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable extinguisher complying with section 906 of the International Fire Code with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.*

BEFORE YOU BURN:

- 1) *Contact either Jefferson County Sheriffs' Office/Fire Dispatch @ 303-277-0211 or us at Foothills to find out if there is a fire ban. You CAN NOT burn if there is a fire ban.*
- 2) *Contact us to find out what the fire danger rating is. If it is extreme, very high, or high you CANNOT burn.*
- 3) *By notifying us, it alerts us to any residents calling in on a smoke investigation.*
- 4) *We may at our discretion inspect your recreational fire.*
- 5) *If you burn without following the district guidelines, you will be subject to a fine after the 1st warning.*
- 6) *If you are authorized by Foothills Fire Protection District to burn, you are liable for any cost or damages incurred if the fire gets out of control.*

This memorandum is for recreational fires only, for slash/open burning please reference Jefferson Counties' Slash burn pdf on our website.

Should you need to, feel free to contact Dave Geraldts (Fire Inspector) at the number listed below. You can also send an e-mail to the following: dave_geraldts@foothillsfire.org