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www.airquality.utah.gov/Compliance/complaint.htm

Or Phone

801-536-4000

Check Current Conditions

www.airquality.utah.gov/aqp/currentconditions.php

Davis Counties and Salt Lake Counties

Phone: 801-536-0072

Box Elder, Cache, Tooele, Utah, and Weber Counties

Phone: 1-800-228-5434

Read State Regulations for Wood Burning in Nonattainment Areas

www.rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r307/r307-302.htm

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LEARN WHEN NOT TO BURN



When is it OK to Burn?

The Residential Woodburn Control Program uses an Unrestricted, Voluntary, and Mandatory advisory format:



Unrestricted Action

Wood and coal burning stoves or fireplaces may be used, but please use them in a proper manner to reduce smoke emissions.



Voluntary Action

Voluntarily do not use wood and coal burning stoves or fireplaces.



Mandatory Action

Wood and coal burning stoves or fireplaces must not be used.

To get the latest information on current conditions and air quality actions in your county:

- Check the Air Quality Web site (www.airquality.utah.gov/)
- Sign up for e-mail alerts (www.deq.utah.gov/ListServ/)
- Download the UtahAir app for iPhones (from the Apple Apps Store) and Androids (from Google Play Store)

Money to Burn?

The Division of Air Quality vigorously enforces no burn actions. The penalties for noncompliance are steep. Compliance inspectors monitor neighborhoods using infrared cameras that can detect heat plumes even when there is no visible smoke. Inspectors will issue fines to households found violating the ban.

The Utah Division of Air Quality issues mandatory no burn actions when fine particulate pollution builds up to unhealthy levels during winter inversions. The no-burn period extends from November 1st to March 1st. State regulations prohibit residents from burning wood or coal on no burn days.

NO

- Fireplaces
- Wood stoves (both EPA certified and non-certified)
- Pellet stoves
- Outdoor fireplaces or fire pits
- Charcoal grills
- Smokers
- Coal burning stoves

YES

- Natural Gas or Propane Stoves

Health Impacts of Wood Smoke

- Wood smoke contains fine particulates, or PM2.5, that lodge deeply in the lungs.
- Wood smoke contains compounds that can cause cancer.
- Once inside the lungs, fine particulates from smoke can cause serious damage to the respiratory system.
- Smoke exposure can cause breathing issues, trigger asthma attacks, and increase risk of heart attack and stroke.
- People who heat their homes with wood have more respiratory problems than those who don't use wood.
- Fifty to seventy percent of outdoor wood smoke can penetrate homes even through closed windows and doors.