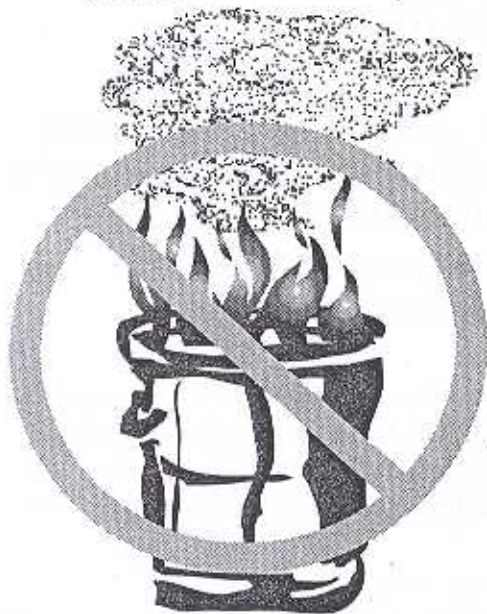


Don't Get Burned!

You can be fined up to \$10,000 for illegal open burning in N.C.

Smoke from open burning can cause serious health problems and pollute the air. That's why the state regulates open burning. Only leaves, branches or other plant growth can be burned.



IT'S ILLEGAL TO BURN:

- Garbage, paper and cardboard
- Tires and other rubber products
- Building materials, including lumber
- Wire, plastics and synthetic materials
- Asphalt shingles and heavy oils
- Paints, household and agricultural chemicals

Homeowners can burn yard trimmings – excluding logs and stumps – if it's allowed under local ordinances, no public pickup is available and it doesn't cause a public nuisance. Other allowable burning includes campfires, outdoor barbecues and bonfires for festive occasions. Landowners also can open burn vegetation to clear land or rights-of-way, provided that:

- Prevailing winds are away from built up areas and roads
- Fires are at least 1,000 feet away from occupied buildings
- Burning is done between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Remember, burn permits issued by the N.C. Division of Forest Resources or any local government do not excuse a person from following these rules. For more information, contact:

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