



This is a properly constructed permanent fire pit.



This is an appropriate portable fire pit.



This fire pit is too large and is lacking adequate containment.



This fire pit does not have containment above grade level.



This fire pit does not have adequate containment.

## Fire Pit Safety and Regulations



Recreational, religious, ceremonial and cooking fires are allowed in PFA's jurisdiction without a burn permit provided they are within the requirements given in the 2012 International Fire Code.

- All recreational fires must be contained in a portable outdoor fire appliance or permanently constructed fire pit.
- All fires shall be constantly attended by a competent and non-impaired person with appropriate extinguishing equipment available for immediate use until extinguished.
- Only clean dry wood can be burned, no house or yard waste is allowed.
- Be a good neighbor and monitor your smoke output.
- Permanently constructed fire pits must provide fire containment around the entire perimeter with no large openings. Containment walls must be above grade level.
- All fires must be located a minimum of 15 feet from structures or combustible materials.
- The wood pile must not exceed three feet in diameter and two feet in height.

For information or questions:  
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## Open Burning Regulations

- All open burns shall be constantly attended by a competent and non-impaired adult with appropriate extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, available for immediate use until extinguished.
- All open burns including slash and ditches require a permit. All burns must be completed between sunrise and sunset unless the permit states otherwise. Burns are prohibited when current or expected winds exceed 10 mph.
- The burn must be free of rubber, tires, plastics, wire insulation, household or yard waste, paper, cardboard, furniture, construction debris, fencing, treated wood, grass, leaves or any other smoke producing material. Tree limbs shall not exceed four inches in diameter.
- Violations of the burn permit can be cited under Colorado Statute and the International Fire Code in accordance with City of Fort Collins, Town of Timnath, and Larimer County code adoptions.
- Additional information can be found in the 2012 International Fire Code, PFA Open Burning Policy and Larimer County Open Burning Ordinance.
- All burns must be conducted a minimum of 50 feet away from any structure or other combustible material.
- The open burning permit application is online at [www.poudre-fire.org](http://www.poudre-fire.org).

● Contact \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ with any questions.



A safe slash burn.



A properly watched ditch burn.



A safe slash burn.