

# NORTHERN LAKES FIRE DISTRICT BURN BARREL REGULATIONS

## A COPY OF THESE REGULATIONS MUST BE ON-SITE WHEN BURNING

Each day that you burn, call the Air Quality Advisory Hotline at 1-800-633-6247 Option #3 for Kootenai County area conditions. Outside burning is allowed when air quality is GREEN; it is not allowed if air quality is YELLOW or RED.

### CONTACT THE FIRE DISTRICT FOR INFORMATION ON BURNING CLOSURES

Please obtain a new copy of the burning regulations each burning season. Changes may be made to the burning regulations from year to year and you are responsible for understanding these changes.

#### 1. **PERMITS ARE ISSUED THROUGH THE IDAHO DEPT OF LANDS (IDL) –**

- All burning in burn barrels requires an Idaho Department of Lands (IDL) Burn Permit. IDL Burn Permits can be obtained by going to [www.burnpermits.idaho.gov](http://www.burnpermits.idaho.gov) Permits are good for ten (10) days but can be renewed by logging back into the IDL burn permit website.
- Burn permits are required year round for burn barrel fires both inside and outside the city limits.

#### 2. **BURN BARREL RULES –**

- All burning in burn barrels requires a minimum clearance of twenty-five (25) feet from any combustibles: including buildings, fences, weeds etc.
- Barrels must be in good condition, up on non-combustible block and have a screen with ½ inch mesh cover. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher 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
- The fire must be completely out before you leave the site. Remember that you are responsible for any fire that you start.

#### 3. **PROHIBITED BURNING –**

- Burning of construction debris by contractors and commercial trade waste is prohibited by the State of Idaho Department of Environmental Quality. Small warming fires of clean lumber only (no glued products) are allowed only if contained and shall be extinguished before leaving site.
- Hauling of debris from one property to another to burn is prohibited.
- Burn only clean untreated wood, clean paper and vegetation. Burning of trash, plastic, tires, garbage, pallets, animals, animal waste and other hazardous material is prohibited.

Failure to comply with burning requirements may result in fines issued by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (IDEQ) and/or being charged with extinguishment cost.

## BURN SAFE, BURN SMART

