



## Residential Outdoor Burning Rules Marysville Fire District

### Always Illegal:

- Land clearing burning
- Burning garbage
- Burn barrels
- Smoking out your neighbor

Burning within the Tulalip Indian Reservation is regulated by the Tulalip Tribes, call (360) 651-4014.

### RECREATIONAL FIRES

A *recreational fire* is an outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not 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.

Recreational and cooking preparation fires are allowed throughout the Marysville Fire District under the following conditions:

- Only charcoal, dried firewood or manufactured fire logs can be used.
- The fire must be at least 25 feet from a structure. (\*See exceptions below)
- There must be a garden hose and shovel near the fire.
- An attendee shall be present at all times.
- If any emission from the fire is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any person; if it causes damage to property or business; or if it causes a nuisance, the fire must be extinguished immediately.

#### **\*Exceptions:**

1. Fires in approved containers (commercially manufactured units meant to safely contain the fire, etc.) that are not less than 15 feet from a structure.
2. The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet where the pile size is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.

### YARD DEBRIS BURNING

Yard debris burning is ok for qualifying residents within the Marysville Fire District who are [outside the Urban Growth Area](#) in accordance with the following conditions:

1. **No yard debris burning may take place within the [Urban Growth Area](#) of the Marysville Fire District.**

2. The attendee must have a copy of these burning rules, as published and distributed by the Fire Marshal, onsite. The rules will be made available with no fee involved.
3. Only one debris pile may be burned at time. Each pile must be completely extinguished before another may be burned.
4. Material to be burned must be placed on bare soil or green grass or other similar areas free of flammable materials for a distance adequate to prevent the escape of the fire.
5. The debris pile being burned must be less than 5 feet in diameter and 5 feet in height.
6. The debris pile being burned shall contain only natural vegetation cultivated from the property upon which it is being burned.
7. The debris pile being burned must be at least 50 feet from all structures.
8. Burning must be done during periods of calm to very light winds.
9. There must be a continuous supply of water and a shovel at the debris pile being burned. Continuous supply refers to any source consisting of no less than 200 gallons of water and capable of being continuously delivered to all points along the circumference of the burning pile, at a minimum rate of flow of 3 gallons per minute (Standard residential connected garden hoses usually comply).
10. A person capable of extinguishing the fire must be in attendance of the debris pile being burned, and the fire must be completely extinguished before leaving it.
11. Burning shall comply with all rules and regulations of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency.
12. All burning must take place during daylight hours only. No burning is allowed before sunrise and all burn piles must be extinguished before sunset.
13. If any emission from the fire is detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of any person; or it causes damage to property or business; or it causes a nuisance; or a burning ban is imposed, then the fire must be extinguished immediately.
14. The owner of the property, upon which burning is being done, may be held liable for firefighting costs and damages as a result of the escape of fire, at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
15. Permission to burn under this authorization may be suspended or cancelled without notice by any of the following agencies: Marysville Fire District; Snohomish County Fire Marshal's Office; Puget Sound Clean Air Agency; Department of Ecology; Department of Natural Resources; any other federal, state, or county agency having jurisdiction.

**For more information or to submit a burning complaint,  
contact the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (PSCA)  
[www.pscleanair.org](http://www.pscleanair.org)/PSCA Complaint Hotline: 1-800-552-3565**

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