

# Did you know? It is **illegal** to burn these materials in an outdoor fire:



Cardboard



Paint



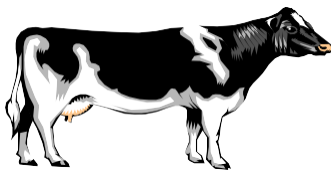
Tires



Pesticide Containers



Construction Debris



Dead Animals



Demolition Debris



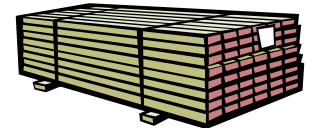
Asphalt



Plastic



Metal



Treated Wood



Petroleum Products



Paper



Garbage



It is only legal to burn natural, unprocessed vegetation.



For more information, call:

In Yakima County:

Yakima Regional Clean Air Agency: (509) 834-2050

Or visit our web site: [www.yakimacleanair.org](http://www.yakimacleanair.org)

For Yakama Reservation: EPA FARR Hotline: 1-800-424-4372

Or visit FARR website: [www.epa.gov/r10earth/FARR.htm](http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/FARR.htm)

## Other things you should know before you conduct outdoor burning:

- ✓ Where residential Burning is allowed, the burn pile must be less than 4' x 4' x 3' and you may burn only one pile at a time.
- ✓ No residential fires are allowed within 500 feet of forest lands.
- ✓ Burning is not the only way to dispose of natural vegetation. Consider composting & chipping.
- ✓ You are encouraged and may be required to call YRCAA at 1-800-540-6950 or (509) 834-2050 to receive daily burn information. Check your burn permit.
- ✓ Only unprocessed, natural vegetation may be burned.
- ✓ Burn barrels are illegal.
- ✓ The smoke from your fire must not impact your neighbors, and you must put out your fire if it does.
- ✓ Do not leave your fire unattended.
- ✓ No fires within 50 feet of structures
- ✓ The fire should not include materials hauled from another property.
- ✓ No outdoor fires during any air pollution episode.
- ✓ No burning after sunset, unless your permit specifically allows it.
- ✓ Always check with your local fire department for permit and safety requirements before you light any outdoor fire.
- ✓ If you see someone you think is burning illegally, or if you are being impacted by smoke, call YRCAA's complaint line at (509) 834-2050.



### **Residential and Land clearing**

burning are not allowed in communities with an Urban Growth Area.

In Yakima County that means the Urban Growth Area (UGA) and cities of:

- ◆ Granger
- ◆ Grandview
- ◆ Moxee
- ◆ Naches
- ◆ Selah
- ◆ Sunnyside
- ◆ Terrace Heights
- ◆ Tieton
- ◆ Union Gap
- ◆ Yakima
- ◆ Zillah

Your local planning department can help you determine whether you live in one of these UGAs.

**Residential Burning** means outdoor burning of leaves, clippings, pruning's and other yard and gardening refuse from around your house.

**Land Clearing Burning** means outdoor burning of trees, stumps, shrubbery, or other natural vegetation from land clearing projects (i.e., projects that clear the land surface so it can be developed, used for a different purpose, or left unused). Orchard tear-out burning is considered land clearing burning if the orchard or another commercial crop will not be replanted within one year. Land clearing burning is banned in some areas, and a permit is required where it is allowed.

**Agricultural Burning** means burning vegetative debris from an agricultural operation necessary for disease or pest control, necessary for crop propagation and/or crop rotation, or where identified as a best management practice. It is illegal to burn pesticide containers. A permit is required to burn orchard trees (if the orchard or another commercial crop will be replanted), open fields, and harvest debris. Permits in this category are not required for burning fence rows, ditch banks, windblown tumbleweeds and annual orchard pruning's.

**Silvicultural Burning** is related to forest management and is regulated by the Department of Natural Resources.

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