

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



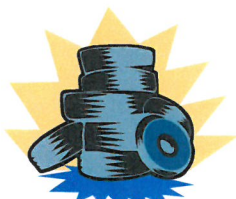
Paint



Garbage



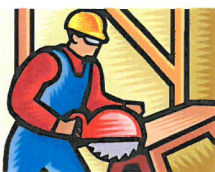
Cardboard



Tires



Pesticide Containers



Construction Debris



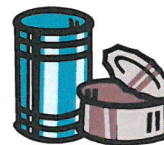
Dead Animals



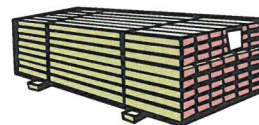
Asphalt



Plastic



Metals



Lumber



Paper



Petroleum Products



Demolition Debris

The materials shown above create toxic smoke when burned. Breathing this smoke can harm your health.

In some areas of Washington, **all** outdoor burning is banned. See the back of this flyer for more information.

Outdoor burning is **banned** in all  
Urban Growth Areas  
of Washington State.

Not sure if you're in an Urban Growth area?

Visit [www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/aqinfo/ugamaps.htm](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/aqinfo/ugamaps.htm)  
for maps of Washington's Urban Growth Areas.

If burning yard waste is banned in your area, or  
if you choose not to burn for health reasons,  
there are plenty of other ways to dispose of yard waste.  
These include:

- Chipping
- Composting
- Curbside pickup
- Community-wide or neighborhood cleanup days
- Taking your yard waste to a landfill  
(many landfills in Washington have reduced  
fees or special fees for yard waste)

More information about outdoor burning is  
available online at:  
[www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference)  
or by calling:

In Adams, Asotin, Columbia, Franklin, Garfield,  
Grant, Ferry, Lincoln, Pend Oreille, Stevens,  
Walla Walla, Whitman counties: (509) 329-  
3400

In Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas, Klickitat, Okanogan  
counties: (509) 575-2490

In all western Washington counties, plus  
Benton, Yakima, Spokane counties: The number  
for the local air quality agency as shown at  
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/air/local.html>

**Other things you should know  
before you do any  
outdoor burning:**

- ✓ Burning in a burn barrel is illegal  
everywhere in Washington!
- ✓ You can burn only natural vegetation.
- ✓ If smoke from your fire affects your  
neighbor, you must put out your fire.
- ✓ Burning is not the only way to get rid of  
natural vegetation. Consider composting &  
chipping. See  
[www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/BreatheTheDifference)  
for more information.
- ✓ Call and follow the Burn Day hotline,  
1-800-406-5322.
- ✓ Where burning is allowed, your burn pile  
must be less than 4' x 4' x 3' and you may  
burn only one pile at a time.
- ✓ Do not leave your fire unattended.
- ✓ No residential fires are allowed  
within 500 feet of forest slash.
- ✓ No fires are allowed within 50 feet of  
structures.
- ✓ You can't burn materials hauled from  
another property in your fire.
- ✓ No outdoor fires are allowed when air  
pollution levels are unhealthy.
- ✓ No burning is allowed 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 the smoke from someone's  
fire is bothering you, call Ecology's toll-  
free complaint line at 1-866-211-6284.