



2025 NWOA Public Use Restrictions



	Fire Danger Level			
	Low	Moderate	High	Extreme
Smoking is <u>Prohibited</u> While traveling in forestlands, except in closed vehicles on improved roads and other designated locations.	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited
Debris Burning (Permit Required).	District Specific	District Specific	Prohibited	Prohibited
Fireworks are <u>Prohibited</u>.	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited
Exploding Targets and Tracer Ammunition are <u>Prohibited</u>	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited
Sky Lanterns are <u>Prohibited</u>	Prohibited Year Round	Prohibited Year Round	Prohibited Year Round	Prohibited Year Round
The Following Activities Have Various Restrictions				
Recreational Fires Including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires. The use of portable appliances such as camp stoves and fire pits using liquified or bottled fuels are allowed in clear areas free of flammable vegetation. The following is required where open fires and appliances are allowed; one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and one 2.5 lb. fire extinguisher.	Allowed with Landowner Approval	Only at Designated Sites	Only at Designated Sites	Prohibited
Non-Industrial Chain Saws When allowed each saw must have one shovel and one ABC fire extinguisher of at least 8 ounce capacity and be equipped with a spark arresting screen. A fire watch is required for one hour following the use of a saw.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed Before 1 pm or after 8 pm	Prohibited
Motor Vehicles Allowed on improved roads. In addition, each vehicle traveling on forestlands, must have one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and a 2.5 lb. or larger ABC fire extinguisher.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day
Off-Road Motorized Vehicles On Designated Trails and Unimproved Roads must have a 2.5 lb. or larger ABC fire extinguisher.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed Before 1pm or after 8 pm	Prohibited
Cutting, Grinding, or Welding of Metal When allowed, is restricted to areas that are cleared of flammable materials and have either a charged hose or 2.5 lb. or larger ABC fire extinguisher.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed Before 1pm or after 8 pm	Prohibited
Mowing/Cutting of Dried, Cured Grass The cultivation and harvest of agricultural crops is exempt from this requirement.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed Before 1pm or after 8 pm	Prohibited
Other Spark-Emitting Internal Combustion Engine When allowed, is restricted to areas that are cleared of flammable materials and have either a charged hose or 2.5 lb. or larger ABC fire extinguisher.	Allowed All Day	Allowed All Day	Allowed Before 1pm or after 8 pm	Prohibited
<div><div><p>Additional restrictions or closures may be in place by landowners or public land management agencies on the lands they own or manage.</p><p>BLM Managed Public Lands: Home Bureau of Land Management (blm.gov)</p><p>USFS Managed Public Lands: Home US Forest Service (usda.gov)</p><p>The State Forester or an authorized representative may, in writing, approve a modification or waiver of these requirements. These restrictions shall remain in effect until replaced, suspended, or terminated by an additional proclamation of the State Forester or an authorized representative.</p></div><div><p><u>For more information on ODF Astoria District:</u></p><p>92219 HWY 202, Astoria, OR (503) 325-5451</p><p>Public Restrictions Website: https://www.oregon.gov/odf/fire/pages/restrictions.aspx</p><p>Revised: 07/01/2024</p></div></div>				

**STATE OF OREGON
DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY**

FIRE RESTRICTIONS
REGULATED CLOSURE PROCLAMATION

Number 01

Effective 12:01 a.m., PDT, June 23, 2025

By virtue of the authority vested in me under the provisions of ORS 477.535 to 477.550, I hereby proclaim a Regulated Closure to be in effect in the following subject area:

All lands protected by the Northwest Oregon Forest Protection District in regulated use areas NW1, NW2 and NW3, and all lands within one-eighth mile thereof.

Under this Regulated Closure, except as to the owner's legal right of entry upon their land, entry to all forestland is unlawful unless entrants comply with the following restrictions:

- Recreational Fires, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires are permitted all day, with landowner approval, during low fire danger (**GREEN**). Recreational Fires, including campfires, charcoal fires, cooking fires and warming fires are prohibited in moderate fire danger (**BLUE**) and high fire (**YELLOW**) danger, except at locations designated by the forester. All Recreational Fires are prohibited in extreme fire danger (**RED**). The use of portable appliances such as camp stoves and fire pits using liquified or bottled fuels are allowed in clear areas free of flammable vegetation. The following is required where open fires and appliances are allowed; one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and one 2 ½ pound fire extinguisher.
- The use of chain saws are permitted all day during low fire danger (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (**YELLOW**). The use of chain saws are prohibited during extreme fire danger (**RED**). Each chain saw is required to have one shovel and one fire extinguisher of at least 8-ounce capacity. A firewatch of at least one hour is required following the use of each saw.
- Motor vehicles, including motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles, are only permitted on improved roads free of flammable vegetation. Possession of the following firefighting equipment is required while traveling, except on state highways, county roads and driveways: one shovel and one gallon of water or one shovel and one 2½ pound or larger fire extinguisher. All-terrain vehicles and motorcycles must be equipped with one 2½ pound or larger fire extinguisher.
 - Exception: Class I & III All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) are permitted to travel without a tool, water or extinguisher when operating on designated trails within the designated area.
 - Class II ATVs must carry a shovel AND fire extinguisher or water.
 - Class IV ATVs must carry a fire extinguisher at all times.
- Motorcycles and all-terrain vehicles use is prohibited, except on improved roads and on designated trails in the areas noted below in the exception:
 - Exception: All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) are permitted all day on designated trails in the following areas during periods of low (**GREEN**), and moderate (**BLUE**) and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (**YELLOW**). Motor vehicles, including motorcycles and ATVs, are prohibited during extreme fire danger (**RED**):
 - State Forest Land: Jordan Creek Basin, Rogers Basin, Trask Basin, Diamond Mill OHV Area, and Nicolai Mountain OHV Area.

- [OHV Designated Areas Map \(Tillamook Forest\)](#)
- [OHV Designated Areas Map \(Clatsop Forest\)](#)
- Cutting, grinding, and welding of metal is permitted all day during low fire danger (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (**YELLOW**), as long as it is conducted in an area cleared of flammable vegetation and has a charged garden hose or one 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher immediately available. Cutting, grinding, and welding of metal is prohibited during extreme fire danger (**RED**).
- The mowing of dried, cured grass is permitted all day during low fire danger (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8 p.m. during high fire danger (**YELLOW**). The mowing of dried, cured grass is prohibited during extreme fire danger (**RED**). The culture and harvest of agricultural crops is exempt from this requirement.
- Any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine not specifically mentioned is permitted all day during low fire danger (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**), and before 1:00 p.m. and after 8:00 p.m. during high fire danger (**YELLOW**) when conducted in a cleared area and a charged garden hose or one 2 ½ pound or larger fire extinguisher is immediately available. Any other spark-emitting internal combustion engine not specifically mentioned is prohibited during extreme fire danger (**RED**).
In addition, a fire watch is required for at least one hour once the equipment has completed working for the day.
- Smoking is prohibited while traveling in forestlands, except in closed vehicles on improved roads and other designated locations.
- Use of fireworks is prohibited.

Aside from these restrictions listed above, backyard debris burning requires a burn permit during low fire danger (**GREEN**) and moderate fire danger (**BLUE**) and is prohibited during high fire danger (**YELLOW**) and extreme fire danger (**RED**).

The use of exploding targets and tracer ammunition is prohibited. Additionally, the use of sky lanterns is prohibited in the State of Oregon at all times (ORS 476.735).

The State Forester or an authorized representative may, in writing, approve a modification or waiver of these requirements.

These restrictions shall remain in effect until replaced, suspended, or terminated by an additional proclamation of the State Forester or an authorized representative.

Maps of the subject area may be viewed at the State Forester's Office in Salem, Oregon, and at principal offices of the Forest Protection District. It is the responsibility of the individual to know what the daily fire danger level is and how it affects regulated activities.

Definitions of words and phrases used in this proclamation may be found in ORS 477.001, OAR 629-041-0005.

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