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Residential Burn Permits Required May 1st

Camino- Residential burn permits will be required beginning Monday May 1st. These permits are issued to the public FREE of charge, are valid for three years from the date of issuance and allows for the burning of dry landscape vegetation (NOT household trash) that originates from the landowners property. You can pick up your FREE residential burn permit at most of the local staffed fire stations. "This Spring's rainfall has created a large amount of fine fuels such as grass and leaves. Please ensure you have substantial clearance and a minimum of 10 feet of clear bare soil around your 4 X 4 foot size pile. Also, remember to call the Burn Information Line just prior to starting, as conditions may change throughout the day." - Mike Kaslin Unit Chief Amador- El Dorado Unit CAL FIRE.

Don't forget that the use of burn barrels is no longer legal in Amador or El Dorado counties. For tips on residential landscape debris burning safety or other fire and life safety topics, please visit the CAL FIRE website at www.fire.ca.gov

Quick tips to landscape debris burning;

- ✓ Make sure pile is no larger than four feet by four feet
- ✓ Scrape a ten foot wide ring around pile down to bare dirt
- ✓ Have a shovel and water supply (garden hose) close by
- ✓ Make sure an adult is present at all times until pile is dead out
- ✓ Be sure to call to ensure it is a permissive burn day

Amador County (209) 223-6246 El Dorado County (530) 621-5897

Sacramento County (916) 874-4800 Alpine County (760) 872-8211 ext. 240

South Lake Tahoe (530) 621-5842, (888) 332-2876

For alternatives to burning your piles, please contact the Amador Fire Safe Council at www.amadorfiresafe.org or the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council at www.edcfiresafe.org for details on

their available programs.

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