

# Fire Permit Categories: 04.16.15

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Fire Permits are broken down into Four Categories:

## **Category I Fire –**

A small controlled fire, such as a camp or cooking fire.

Must be contained within a ring of fire resistive material or in a portable fire place

Cannot be greater than 2 feet in diameter.

Must be at least 25 feet from a structure.

When conditions allow, a Category I Fire may be kindled at any time of day whether raining or not.

Category I permits may be issued as a seasonal permit, but may be suspended if the Forest Fire Warden determines fire conditions to be too high.

## **Category II Fire –**

A controlled fire, such as a camp or cooking fire.

Must be contained within a ring of fire resistive material or in a portable fire place.

Cannot be greater than 4 feet in diameter.

Must be at least 50 feet from a structure.

When conditions allow, a Category II Fire may only be kindled between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. unless it is actually raining.

*Category II permits may be issued as a seasonal permit, but may be suspended if the Forest Fire Warden determines fire conditions to be too high.*

## **Category III Fire –**

A controlled fire greater than 4 feet in diameter or a controlled fire not contained within a ring of fire resistive material.

Must be at least 50 feet from a structure.

When conditions allow, a Category III Fire may only be kindled between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. unless it is actually raining.

Category III permits are typically issued for no more than one to three days depending on weather conditions.

## **Category IV Fire –**

A controlled fire larger than a Category I Fire.

May be kindled during the day between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. even if it is not raining.

The permittee must comply with additional, special provisions to qualify for a Category IV Permit.

A Category IV Permit is issued jointly between the Forest Ranger and the Forest Fire Warden.