



## Open Burning Information

### Definition

Open burning is the burning of a bonfire, vegetation debris fire or other fire in an outdoor location where fuel burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbecue grill or barbecue pit.

### Use

This permit is for property in La Senda or Pajarito Acres **only** and does not cover recreational fires or commercial barbecue pits.

### Notification

The Los Alamos Fire Department requires notification prior to the commencement of open burning. Half an hour prior to burning, you must notify the following agencies: Los Alamos County Fire Department at 663-1843 and Los Alamos Consolidated Dispatch Center at 662-8222.

### Materials Restrictions

Open burning of rubbish containing paper products is prohibited.

### Time and Atmospheric Restrictions

Burning will be conducted during daylight hours only and when wind conditions are minimal to prevent spread of fire.

### Location

Open burning shall not be conducted within 50 feet of any structure or other combustible material. Conditions that could cause the fire to spread to within 50 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

*Exception:* Clearance from structures and other combustible material may be reduced as follows:

1. Not less than 15 feet when burning is conducted in an approved burning appliance.
2. Not less than 25 feet when the pile is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.

### Fire Extinguishing Equipment

A garden hose connected to a water supply or other approved fire extinguishing equipment shall be readily available for use at open burning sites.

### Attendance

Burning material shall be constantly attended by a person knowledgeable in the use of the fire extinguishing equipment and familiar with the permit limitations that restrict open burning. An attendant shall supervise the burning material until the fire has been extinguished.

### Discontinuance

The Fire Marshal is authorized to require that open burning be immediately discontinued if it is determined that smoke emissions are offensive to occupants of surrounding property or if the open burning is determined to constitute a hazardous condition.

*This permit may be revoked at any time due to weather conditions or hazards noticed at the proposed site.*