

# Prevent Forest Fires



## *It is unlawful to...*

- Burn brush or other materials when the ground is not covered by snow without a written fire permit from the Forest Fire Warden.
- Burn in an outdoor fireplace without a fire permit.
- Kindle certain categories of fires between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. except when raining. When raining, a fire permit is still required. Please check with your local Forest Fire Warden to determine allowable burning times.
- Kindle a fire for any purpose on land of another without written permission of the owner or owner's agent and a written permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town, except in authorized recreational areas where suitable fireplaces are approved by the Forest Fire Warden.
- Fail to totally extinguish any fire before leaving it.
- Discard matches, cigarettes or other burning substances from vehicles or otherwise.
- Throw any flammable waste material on, near, or adjacent to a public highway or private way in or near woodlands.
- Fail to report a forest or brush fire or fail to respond to a Forest Fire Warden's call for assistance.

Violations of the law (RSA 227-L) are subject to the following penalties:

**Violation** - May be fined up to \$1,000

**Misdemeanor** - May be fined up to \$2,000 or  
imprisoned up to one year or both.

**Report all Fires to your Local Fire Department**

**Your Efforts to Help Protect our Woodlands are Appreciated**



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