

## What is Restricted on a No Burn Day?

When air pollution levels are on the rise and weather conditions create dry, stagnant conditions, the Maricopa County Air Quality Department will issue a No Burn Day. Restrictions last for a 24-hour period, starting at midnight, and include a ban on woodburning activity including fireplaces, fire pits or open outdoor fires. The purpose of the No Burn Day restriction is to avoid adding pollution to our air when the forecast suggests air quality will approach or exceed the federal health standard.

Woodburning restrictions are governed by the following Maricopa County Rules:

### **Maricopa County's Residential Woodburning Restriction Ordinance (P-26)**

[http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/planning\\_analysis/rules/docs/P26-0803.pdf](http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/planning_analysis/rules/docs/P26-0803.pdf)

- Existing ordinance that prohibits woodburning in residential fireplaces on a No Burn Day
- Extends fireplace restrictions to wood burning chimineas, outdoor fire pits, and similar outdoor fires on No Burn Days
- Fines range from \$50 up to \$250 depending on the number of woodburning violations an individual receives per year
- Increases fourth and subsequent violations to \$250 fine

### **Rule 314: Open Outdoor Fires and Indoor Fireplaces at Commercial and Institutional**

**Establishments** [http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/planning\\_analysis/rules/docs/314-0803.pdf](http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/planning_analysis/rules/docs/314-0803.pdf)

- Burning anything other than natural gas logs in an outdoor fire pit or fireplace on a No burn Day is prohibited. This includes burning at restaurants, businesses or hotels.
- Burning vegetation from land cleared for construction on any day, at any time is restricted.

\* Permission to burn, after being issued a permit, is given under the conditions outlined in the [Burn Permit](#).

To find out if any burn restrictions are in place, call (602)506-6400 or visit [www.CleanAirMakeMore.com](http://www.CleanAirMakeMore.com). Information is given in both English and Spanish.

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For more information on safe woodburning practices refer to the Maricopa County's winter air flier: <http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/compliance/dust/docs/pdf/Fireplaces-WinterAirFlier.pdf>