



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE

OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Wenatchee, WA

ORDER NO. 06-17-20-20-17

“STAGE 2” FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(a) the following act is prohibited upon National Forest Lands within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. This Order supersedes Order number 06-17-20-20-15 signed on July 22, 2020 by Kristin Bail. This Order is effective beginning August 14, 2020 until October 15, 2020, unless terminated earlier.

PROHIBITIONS:

1. **Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including briquette fires, and torches.** [36 CFR § 261.52 (a)] Note: Pressurized or bottled liquid fuel stoves, lanterns, or heating devices are permitted, provided such devices are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 3 feet of the device.
2. **Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.** [36 CFR § 261.52 (d)]

Additional Information:

- a. Note: The use of explosives including exploding targets, incendiary ammunition, and possession and use of fireworks are prohibited year-round on National Forest land in Washington. Spark arrestors are required on all internal combustion engines at all times.
- b. *Campfire* is defined as a fire, not within any building, mobile home, or living accommodation mounted on a motor vehicle, which is used for cooking, personal warmth, lighting, ceremonial, or esthetic purposes.

CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:

This prohibition applies to all National Forest System Lands within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest.

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a Forest Service permit or Timber Sale Contract, specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission. Permit and contract holders remain accountable to Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) restrictions as specified.

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2. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

Executed in Wenatchee, WA this _____ day of August 2020.

KRISTIN M. BAIL
Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

Prohibition Objective: To reduce the potential of escaped campfires within National Forest lands on the Okanogan-Wenatchee NF to ensure public health and safety and resource protection.

Public Notification Plan: Information associated with the closure will be made available to the public through media releases, partner organizations, and at Forest Service offices. The affected area will be posted with signs indicating campfire restrictions.

Enforcement Plan: This order will be enforceable by Law Enforcement Officers and Forest Protection Officers. Education will be emphasized during initial implementation of this order. Officers will exercise normal discretion in resolving violations. Evening patrols will be conducted, especially on weekends.

<u>Action</u>	<u>Responsible Official</u>
Prepare proposed order	Forest Leadership
Review proposed order (Law Enforcement)	Patrol Captain
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	Public Affairs Officer
District staff will be responsible for the management and enforcement of this closure. Any enforcement actions will be within normal policies and procedures established by the LEI Patrol Captain for the zone.	District Staff