



FOREST ORDER No. 19-21-01
USDA FOREST SERVICE
LAKE TAHOE BASIN MANAGEMENT UNIT
FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety and protect natural resources, the following acts are prohibited on National Forest System lands within the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit. This Order is effective June 15, 2021 through November 30, 2021 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal briquettes and wood, on National Forest System lands, as shown on Exhibit A. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d).
3. Operating an internal combustion engine off of paved, gravel, or dirt National Forest System roads and trails, except within the Sand Pit Off-Highway Vehicle Area and boats operating on a water surface. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(h).
4. Welding or operating an acetylene torch with open flames. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(i).

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organization rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a valid Wilderness Permit or a California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above. However, persons with a valid Wilderness Permit or a California campfire permit may use a portable campfire pit, lantern or stove that uses gas, kerosene, jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel, with a shut-off valve, in an area at least three feet from any flammable materials. Forest Service beaches managed under special use permit do not require a California Campfire Permit for the afore-mentioned devices, including the Baldwin, Pope, Nevada, Meeks Bay, Meeks Bay Resort, and William Kent Beaches.
3. Persons with a valid 2021 Forest Products Removal Permit (fuelwood permit) issued by the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above, but they may operate an internal combustion engine off of National Forest System roads and trails only to the extent necessary to cut fuelwood, provided the cutting of fuelwood is performed in compliance with the terms of the permit.
4. Persons with a Forest Service non-special use written authorization to conduct non-recreational activities, such as harvesting timber or forest products, or grazing livestock are exempt from Prohibition Nos. 3 and 4 above while performing those activities in accordance with the written authorization.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.



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A violation of the prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more the \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 USC 551 and 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in South Lake Tahoe, California, this 14th day of June 2021.

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This Forest Order supersedes Forest Order No. 19-19-02, dated June 27, 2019.