

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
NATIONAL FORESTS IN ALABAMA**

Order Number 2012-00-09

**Emergency Fire and Fireworks Closure
OCCUPANCY AND USE**

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (a) and (b) for the protection of the public and natural resources, the following acts are prohibited throughout the National Forests in Alabama. This closure order is effective from June 28, 2012 until August 31, 2012.

1. Building, maintaining, attending, using a fire or campfire (wood or charcoal), or stove fire. 36 CFR 261.52(a)

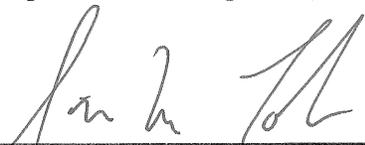
Exemptions to this prohibition are fires that are built at a developed recreation area. Additionally, the use of gas or liquid fuel type stoves or backpacking stoves will be allowed.

2. Violating any state law concerning burning or fires which are implemented for the purpose of preventing or restricting the spread of fires. 36 CFR 261.52(k)
3. Possessing, discharging or using any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device. 36 CFR 261.52(f)

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

- 1) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force, in the performance of an official duty.

Prepared at Montgomery, Alabama this 28th day of June 2012.



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Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C. 551, 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.