

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE  
INTERMOUNTAIN REGION

Sawtooth National Forest  
*Minidoka Ranger District*

STAGE I FIRE RESTRICTIONS

**PROHIBITIONS:**

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all lands described in the Order, all within the Sawtooth National Forest beginning *August 22, 2013 at 12:01 AM* and continuing until further notice:

1. Igniting, building, maintaining, attending or using a fire outside a fire structure that is provided by the Forest Service within a designated area, **36 CFR § 261.52(a)**; and
2. Smoking outside an enclosed vehicle or building, **36 CFR § 261.52(d)**.

**EXEMPTIONS:**

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

1. Persons with a special use authorization or other Forest Service authorization specifically exempting them from the effect of this Order;
2. Persons using a stove or grill that is solely fueled by liquid petroleum fuels;
3. Persons using a stove fire in a designated area as defined in this Order;
4. Persons smoking while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is clear of all flammable materials; and
5. Any Federal, State, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

**AREA DESCRIBED:** All National Forest System lands as described below:

**Sawtooth National Forest:** Minidoka Ranger District.

**DEFINITIONS:**

**Designated Area.** A geographic area identified by the Forest Service by posting notices in the area indicating that use of fire is not prohibited within the area as shown on the list attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**Fire Structure.** A permanent metal or concrete structure that is specifically designed for the purpose of containing a campfire or cooking fire and has been installed and maintained by the Forest Service.

**Special Use or Other Authorization.** A written document issued by an authorized officer of the Forest Service to specifically authorize an otherwise prohibited act.

**Restriction.** A limitation on an activity or use.

**Stove Fire.** A fire built inside a fully enclosed metal stove, grill, or sheep herder type stove that is outfitted with a chimney that is at least five (5) feet in length that is equipped with a spark arrester consisting of a mesh screen with screen opening of 1/4 inch or less.

For further definitions refer to 36 CFR § 261.2.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

1. This Order will be in effect beginning *August 22, 2013* at *12:01 AM* and shall remain in effect until further notice.
2. Violation of the above prohibitions is punishable of a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, and/or imprisonment for not more than six months. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3571(b)(6), 3581(b)(7).
3. This Order supersedes any previous Order(s) prohibiting the same or similar acts prohibited by this Order in the area covered by this Order.

Done at Twin Falls, Idaho this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2013



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**Exhibit A – Designated areas: campfires are allowed in approved fire structures in the following areas on the Minidoka Ranger District ~ Sawtooth National Forest.**

**Cassia Division:**

Schipper Campground  
Harrington Fork Picnic Area  
Lower Penstemon Campground  
Upper Penstemon Campground  
Pettit Campground  
Diamond Field Jack Campground  
Porcupine Springs Campground  
Father and Sons Campground  
Bear Gulch Campground  
Bostetter Campground  
Steer Basin Campground

**Albion Division:**

Bennett Springs Campground  
Thompson Flat Campground  
Twin Lakes Campground  
Lake Cleveland Campground

**Sublet Division:**

Mill Flat Campground  
Sublett Campground

**Raft River Division:**

Clear Creek Campground

**Black Pine Division:**

None

**Campfires are prohibited in all other locations on the Minidoka Ranger District**