



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
MT. BAKER-SNOQUALMIE NATIONAL FOREST
ORDER # 06-05-25-09

Public Use Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), to provide for resource protection and public and employee safety, the following acts are prohibited within the jurisdictional and administrative boundaries of the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest as described below and shown in Exhibit A and B. This order will be effective from July 18th through October 31st, 2025, unless rescinded sooner.

PROHIBITION:

1. **Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire, including charcoal or other open flame, EXCEPT within campfire rings established by the Forest Service at the designated developed campgrounds listed in Exhibit B.** [36 CFR § 261.52(a)]
2. **Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, at a 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)]
3. **Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame.** [36 CFR § 261.52(h)]

CLOSURE AREA DESCRIPTION:

All lands, roads, and trails within the boundaries of the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest (see Exhibit A), except for the areas identified in Exhibit B.

EXEMPTIONS:

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

1. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire-fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a Valid Forest Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order (Form FS-7700-48), specifically exempting them from this order.
3. Persons using petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns, or heating devices provided such devices are used in areas that are barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable material within 6 feet of the device. Any device must have a functioning on-off switch or valve that can extinguish the fire immediately.
4. Persons using wood-burning appliances with spark arrestor screens that are installed within cabins or other permanent structures.
5. Persons with campfires contained inside established fire rings ONLY in the campgrounds listed in Exhibit B.

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

Violations of this prohibition are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3551, 3571, and 3581).

Executed in Everett, Washington, this 18th day of July 2025.

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