

Montezuma County
Sheriff's Office



Montezuma County Fire Ban Exemption Permit

2020

Date Issued:

Instructions: Complete the application portion of the permit. Submit form to the Montezuma County Sheriff's Office between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. at 730 East Driscoll, Cortez, CO 81321 Monday through Friday. Application must be submitted at least three business days prior to requested date of burn.

Applicant Information:

Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Email: _____

Fire Ban Exemption Request Information:

Address of Burn: _____

Fire District: _____

Purpose of Burn: _____

Mitigations actions in place: _____

Proposed Starting Date: _____ Completion Date: _____

Additional Requests and Information: _____

Any person who knowingly or willfully fails to obtain a burn ban exemption and / or violates the conditions of the exemption shall be punished by fine not to exceed \$1000.00 for each separate violation and surcharge as provided in C.R.S. 30-15-402.

Permit Holder Signature: _____ Date: _____

Approve: _____ Not Approved: _____ Date: _____
Sheriff's Office Signature: _____
Fire District Supervisor notified (Initials): _____
Special conditions and / or mitigations shall be listed on the back of this form.

The Fire Ban Exemption Permit is a legal document that conditionally authorizes the recipient to burn at a time, place and method specified on the permit. The Montezuma County Sheriff or his or her designee do not assume any responsibility for any damage to the person or the property of the permittee, or the person or property of any third person burning or assisting in the burning.

A person holding a Fire Ban Exemption Permit assumes the risks associated with a burn and is not relieved of any liability for injuries to persons or property resulting from the burn. The person conducting the burn shall have knowledge of safe burning conditions and comply with all mitigations and special instructions listed on the permit.

Prior to commencing any burn, the permittee must call Cortez Dispatch daily at 970-565-8441. During conditions of "Red Flag", High Wind Advisories, and High Wind Warnings this permit is not valid. Any fire started during a "Red Flag", High Wind Advisory, or High Wind Warning will be extinguished and those persons responsible for the unauthorized burning will be subject to penalties as set forth in County Ordinances.

Anyone who sets a fire under a Fire Ban Exemption Permit must:

- A. Keep the signed permit on the premises.
- B. Produce and show the permit to any fore or law enforcement officer or member upon request.
- C. Keep the fire under control.
- D. Not leave the fire unattended.
- E. Keep hand tools, water and / or fire extinguishers on site and readily available to control the burn.
- F. Extinguish the fire before the expiration or upon cancellation of the permit, or obtain a renewal.
- G. Exercise reasonable caution.
- H. Follow any additional mitigations as prescribed by the Montezuma County Sheriff's Office or Fire Department having jurisdiction:

Special Mitigations prescribed:

Cancellation or Suspension of Permit: Upon issuing a permit, the Montezuma County Sheriff, his or her designee, or the Fire District having jurisdiction for the purpose of fire control during dangerous conditions may suspend or cancel all permits. Upon cancellation of any permit, the permittee must immediately extinguish the fire.