

Chapter 8.12OPEN FLAME FIRE BANS*Sections:

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A. Open Flame Ban Imposition or Removal.

1. An open flame fire ban may be imposed or removed by approval of a resolution at a regular or special meeting on the Town of Dolores Board of Trustees; or

2. An emergency declaration, providing for the imposition or removal of an open flame fire ban may be issued upon and after written concurrence of the mayor, town manager and town marshal.

3. A board of trustees resolution approving the imposition or removing a fire ban shall not constitute a repeal of this chapter.

4. The issuance of an emergency declaration imposing or removing an open flame fire ban shall not affect the validity of [this] chapter.

B. Definitions.

1. An "open flame fire" is defined as any fire in an outdoor location where fuel is being burned except for the following:

a. Commercial enclosed incinerators.

b. Residential charcoal and gas barbeque grills.

2. Welding and/or operating an acetylene or similar torch with an open flame related to oil and gas production shall be allowed when conducted in a 20' radius safe zone free of vegetation and when complying the requirements of the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Rule 606A (o) regarding Fire Prevention and Production.

5. Welding and/or operating an acetylene or similar torch with an open flame, except as long as a fire watch individual is on site and readily available with proper hand tools and either a two and one-half-pound pressurized fire extinguisher, one, five-pound ABC extinguisher or pressurized water supply, welding and/or operating an acet-

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ylene torch or similar touch with and open flame in a twenty-foot radius safe zone free of vegetation's not prohibited.

6. Burn barrels equipped with one-fourth-inch screen shall be allowed when conducted in a twenty-foot radius safe zone free of vegetation.

C. Exceptions. Any resolution or emergency declaration removing an open flame ban shall not apply to:

1. A "red flag day" defined as a day when the United States Weather Service issues a warning for any portion of the incorporated area in the Town of Dolores.

2. A "high wind advisory" is defined as a day when the United States Weather Service issues a "high wind advisory" for any portion of the incorporate area within the Town of Dolores.

3. A "high wind warning" is defined as a day when the United States Weather Service issues a "high wind warning" for any portion of the incorporate area within the Town of Dolores.

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