



UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST
Forest Order # 06-14-00-26-04



ORDER
PHASE B FIRE RESTRICTIONS
UMATILLA NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C § 551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are **prohibited** on all National Forest System Lands within the Umatilla National Forest, in the State of Oregon and Washington. This Order is effective from September 4th, 2026 at 12:01 am, through October 1st, 2026, unless rescinded sooner:

PROHIBITION AREA DESCRIPTION:

These prohibitions apply to all lands throughout the entirety of the Umatilla National Forest. The Closure Area is shown on the attached map, **Exhibit B**.

PROHIBITIONS enacted by this order:

- **Campfires:** Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, cook stove; including solid fuel, charcoal briquette, gas/jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel or propane fire is prohibited. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a).**
Exemptions:
 - When within a designated campfire ring at a developed recreation site listed in **Exhibit A**.
 - When the *cook stove, lantern or campfire* is fueled solely by gas, jellied petroleum or pressurized liquid fuel or propane with an on/off switch and flammable vegetation is cleared a minimum of 3-feet away from open flame on all sides.
 - When using a wood burning stove equipped with a chimney, minimum 5-foot length, spark arresting screen, consisting of ¼ inch mesh hardware cloth, and remove all flammable vegetation within a 3-foot radius, including overhanging material.
- **Smoking:** Prohibited. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(d).**
Exemptions:
 - Within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least 3-feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
- **Internal Combustion Engines:** Operating an internal combustion engine is prohibited. **36 CFR § 261.52(g).**
Exemptions:
 - Operating a chainsaw, when they have a valid personal use firewood cutting permit and follow the conditions outlined in the permit for woodcutting.
 - Generators must be equipped with an approved spark arrestor and used in an area that is cleared at least 10-feet in diameter of all flammable material. When factory installed in a recreational vehicle, generator exhaust discharge must be in a center of an area with at least 10 feet clearance from all flammable materials.
- **Use of vehicles off National Forest System roads:** Prohibited off National Forest System trails and roads designated on the Forest Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM). **36 C.F.R. § 261.56.**
Exemptions:
 - Traveling to and from a dispersed campsite within 300 feet of open and developed road. Vehicles must be parked in an area that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
- **Welding:** Operating an acetylene or other torch with an open flame is prohibited. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(h).**
- **Explosives:** Using explosives is prohibited. **36 C.F.R. § 261.52(b).**



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These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A, which includes but is not limited to the following **year-round** prohibitions:

1. Leaving a fire without completely extinguishing it. **36 CFR § 261.5(d).**
2. Building, attending, maintaining, or using a campfire without removing all flammable material from around the campfire adequate to prevent its escape. **36 CFR § 261.5(f).**
3. Possessing or using an exploding target or any kind of firework or other pyrotechnic device. **36 CFR § 261.5(h).**
4. Operating or using any internal combustion engine without a spark arresting device that is properly installed, maintained, and in effective working order in accordance with USDA Forest Service Standard 5100-1. **36 CFR § 261.5(j).**

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

1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These orders are in addition to the General Prohibitions described in 36 CFR 261, Subpart A.

Violation of these prohibitions is 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 USC 551 and 18 USC 3551, 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed at Pendleton, OR this 3rd day of September, 2026.

Eric Watrud
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Umatilla National Forest



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EXHIBIT A **Developed Recreation Sites**

Campfires are allowed within designated campfire rings at the following Developed Recreation Sites:

Heppner Ranger District:

Recreation Sites

- Bull Prairie Lake Campground
- Tupper Work Center

North Fork John Day Ranger District:

Recreation Sites

- Bear Wallow Creek Campground
- Big Creek Meadows Campground
- Driftwood Campground
- Frazier Campground
- Gold Dredge Campground
- North Fork John Day Campground
- Winom Campground
- Olive Lake Campground
- Oriental Campground
- Tower Mtn. Lookout

Cabin Rentals

- Fremont-Caretakers Cabin
- Fremont-Congo Gulch Cabin
- Fremont Hiltop Hideaway

Walla Walla Ranger District:

Campgrounds

- Jubilee Lake Campground
- Mottet Campground
- Target Meadows Campground
- Woodland Campground
- Woodward Campground

Recreational Residences

- Spout Springs Summer Home tracts
- Tollgate Summer Home tracts

Pomeroy Ranger District:

Recreation Sites

- Alder Thicket Campground
- Big Springs Campground
- Boundary Campground
- Godman Campground
- Ladybug Campground
- Midway Campground
- Misery Spring Campground
- Panjab Campground
- Panjab Overflow
- Pataha Campground
- Teal Spring Campground
- Tucannon Campground
- Wickiup Campground
- Elk Flats Trailhead
- Meadow Creek Trailhead
- Panjab Trailhead
- Teepee Trailhead
- Three Forks Trailhead
- Timothy Trailhead
- Twin Buttes Trailhead
- Rose Springs Sno Park
- Tucannon Trailhead
- Misery Warmup Shelter
- Teal Warmup Shelter
- Dodge Warmup Shelter

Cabin Rentals

- Clearwater Big House
- Clearwater Lookout
- Godman Guard Station
- Tucannon Guard Station
- Wenatchee Guard Station

Recreational Residences

- Stentz Springs Summer Home tracts
- Rose Springs Summer Home tracts
- Little Turkey Summer Homes tracts
- Slicker Summer Homes tracts