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Modified burn ban in effect Aug. 1 for all of Skagit County

A modified burn ban is in effect for all residential yard and land clearing fires in unincorporated Skagit County. The modified ban is effective Monday, Aug. 1, until further notice. Skagit County will no longer issue permits for these activities and existing permits are suspended.

Recreational and cooking fires, limited to 3 feet in diameter and two feet high, remain allowed within enclosures and when safety precautions are followed.

If you are within the city limits of any of the incorporated cities or towns, check with your city fire department for current burning restrictions.

This ban does not pertain to agricultural burning permitted through the Northwest Clean Air Agency or silvicultural burning permitted through Washington State Department of Natural Resources. For information on active permits, contact those agencies directly.

If you have any questions about open burning in Skagit County please contact the Skagit County Fire Marshal's Office at 360-416-1842, or visit our website at http://skagitcounty.net/Departments/FireMarshal/main.htm