

ISLAND COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

Burn restrictions lifted in Island County

ISLAND County – Due to the increase in moisture levels, the Island County Fire Marshal will lift the ban on outdoor burning. The burn ban will cease at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, September 8, 2010, for the unincorporated areas of Island County.

A permanent ban on open burning REMAINS IN EFFECT in the Cities of Oak Harbor, Langlely, and Coupeville (as well as the community of Freeland), and their urban growth areas. For more information on the permanent burn ban you may contact the Northwest Clean Air Agency at (800) 622-4627 or check their website at www.nwcleanair.org.

If you live in an area where open burning is allowed (and want to have a fire) you MUST FIRST call (360) 391-0392 to obtain a burn permit. Fires less than 4 feet in diameter do not require a burn permit; fires over 4 feet in diameter require a written burn permit. As always burning garbage and the use of burn barrels is illegal **State Wide** and subject to fines up to \$1000.00.

If your property falls under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources, please call (360) 856-3500 for burn permit information.

If you have any questions about open burning in Island County, please contact the Island County Fire Warden's Office at (360)39-0392.

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