



HEARTLAND FIRE & RESCUE

SERVING THE CITIES OF EL CAJON, LA MESA AND LEMON GROVE

Recreational Fires

Location

Must be located 25' from a structure or combustible material (fences, low hanging trees, etc.). Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25' of a structure shall be removed. Must be on the resident's property; not allowed on or near the sidewalk or in the public right of way.

Approved Containers

Generally, fire pits and chimeneas purchased from stores are acceptable. No washing machine tubs, open topped BBQ style, or in-ground pits.

Construction

Metal, ceramic, brick, etc. (Non-combustible). Must have a solid top and bottom with legs to keep it off the ground. Spark arrestor must be constructed of iron, heavy wire mesh or other non-combustible material with openings not larger than ½". Spark arrestor or screen required on the top and/or sides.

Allowed Fuels

Clean wood or Presto type logs. Fuel must be completely contained within the fire pit, chimenea, etc. Fuel is not allowed to stick out of the top, rest on the edge (from side to side), etc.

Illegal Fuels

Trash, painted/stained/treated wood, tree/brush trimmings, or newspapers.

Fire Extinguishing Equipment

A fire extinguisher (minimum of 4A rating), garden hose, or shovel shall be readily available for use.

Attendance

The fire shall be attended by an adult at all times. The adult shall be knowledgeable in the use of fire extinguishing equipment. The attendant shall supervise the fire until it has been extinguished.

Discontinuance

The Fire Department is authorized to order the extinguishment of a recreational fire if the fire is determined to create or add to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

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