

Know the Rules for Outdoor Burning!

Campaign to Prevent Wildfires and Illegal Burning in Effingham County



- ◆ Whenever burning outside, make sure you have a method of extinguishing the fire readily available: garden hose, extinguishers, or buckets of water. In case you need to put the fire out.
- ◆ Never leave a burning fire unattended.
- ◆ Keep your fire to a reasonable and manageable size.
- ◆ Build your fire in a designated area, clear of hazards and debris.



The Georgia Forestry Commission only allows the burning of natural materials and yard debris: leaves, limbs, trees. All materials must have grown in the same yard where the burning will occur.

- Ⓢ *No Household Garbage, Furniture, Tires, Plastics, Metals, Glass, or Construction Materials.*
- Ⓢ *Materials cannot have been transported from another property.*



As of February 2007, new county ordinances are in affect concerning outdoor burning:

County Code Section 36: Article 4

- ◆ No burning after dark.
- ◆ No burning on Sundays.
- ◆ You must have a burn permit each time and for all fires, the only exception being campfires used for cooking.

****Burn permits expire at sundown; you will need a new permit each day that you burn****



You may obtain Burn Permits through Georgia Forestry Commission

Effingham County Office: (912) 754-6932

Toll Free: 1-877-OK2-BURN (1-877-652-2876)

Online at: www.gfc.state.ga.us/OnlinePermits/index.cfm

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