

Published April 27th, 2022

MOFD announces an early burn ban

By Vera Kochan



Outdoor fireplaces fall under the burn ban category Photo courtesy MOFD

comply with the order may be subject to a fine of \$500 per each day of violation.

Basically, a burn ban involves all forms of open flames such as bonfires, portable outdoor fireplaces, ceremonial fires, recreational fires and campfires (on public and private land). The exceptions are UL or ASMI listed manufactured GAS (LPG or NG) outdoor flame devices and charcoal grills. Also acceptable are wood pellet fuel based barbecue/smokers (such as Traeger). These pellet burning devices contain heat and ash which fully consume the pellets with no super-heated particles remaining that could start a fire after disposal.

MOFD does make exceptions to the burn ban by issuing a permit regarding special events or commercial cooking. In these instances, an inspection will be conducted and a permit outlining specific operating guidelines will be issued. For permit information contact the Fire Marshal's office at (925) 258-4513.

Reach the reporter at: vera@lamorindaweekly.com

[back](#)

Copyright © Lamorinda Weekly, Moraga CA