



United States Department of the Interior
 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
 Albuquerque District Office
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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER # NM-010-18-03

Pursuant to 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 9212.2, the following acts are prohibited on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered land within the Albuquerque District area of New Mexico. This includes BLM administered public land in Bernalillo, Catron, Cibola, McKinley, Sandoval, Socorro, Torrance and Valencia Counties, New Mexico. This restriction includes the Albuquerque District encompassing Rio Puerco Field Office and Socorro Field Office.

This order shall go into effect at 12:01 a.m., May 11, 2018 and will remain in effect until rescinded.

PROHIBITED ACTS:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, charcoal, coal, or wood stove except for: inside established campfire rings and grills within Datil Well and Joe Skeen Campgrounds; **36 CFR 261.52(a)**.
 Exceptions: The use of petroleum-fueled stoves, lanterns or heating devices are allowed provided such devices meet the fire underwriter's specifications for safety and they are used in areas free of flammable materials..
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed recreation site/improved site or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials; **36 CFR 261.52(d)**.
3. The use/discharge of explosives of any kind, incendiary or chemical devices, pyrotechnic devices, fireworks, or exploding targets; **36 CFR 261.52(f)**.
4. Cutting or grinding metal, or using a welder, either arc or gas, or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame, except in areas cleared of flammable materials at least 10 feet in diameter and equipped with a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher of not less than 8 ounces, and one round point shovel with an overall length of at least 36 inches; **36 CFR 261.52(i)**.
5. Operating a chainsaw or any other internal or external combustion engine without a USDA or SAE approved spark arrester properly installed and working, a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher of not less than 8 ounces capacity by weight, and one round point shovel with an overall length of at least 36 inches; **36 CFR 261.52(j)**.
6. Possessing or using a motor vehicle off roads, except when parking in an area devoid of vegetation within 10 feet of the roadway; **36 CFR 261.56**.

EXEMPTED:

Pursuant to **43 CFR 9212.2(a)**, the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Any federal, state, local and/or military employee acting within the scope of their duties.
2. Members of any organized rescue or firefighting force performing official duty.

3. Persons, agencies, municipalities or companies with a written permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act.

An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by an exempted activity.

PENALTIES:

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR §9212.4, any violation of this order is subject to punishment by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or imprisonment of not more than 12 months or both. Restitution for total costs of fire suppression or damage will be borne by the violator.

Information regarding these fire restrictions may be obtained by calling the Albuquerque District Office at (505)761-8700. Dated this 09th day of May, 2018, at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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