



MEDIA RELEASE

FOUNTAIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Stage One Fire Restrictions Lifted

March 1, 2021

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Effective Monday, March 1, 2021, Stage One Fire Restrictions will be lifted for the City of Fountain.

Fire Chief Maxon will continue to monitor weather and fire danger conditions throughout the year and may enact addition restrictions as needed in the months to come.

Allowed within the City of Fountain:

- Outdoor Blasting welding, and torches with a permit issued from Fountain Fire Department
- Campfires in developed campgrounds/picnic ground
- Model Rockets
- Public prescribed burning and opening burning with an Air Quality Permit issued from the El Paso County Health Department
- Recreational fires: fires conducted on private property and are enclosed in a permanently constructed fire pit made of non-combustible material such as stone, brick, concrete, metal container, or fire ring with dimensions of the pit to be less than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height. All materials burned in the fire pit must fit inside the dimensional confines of the fire pit and shall not be permitted to extend above or outside the fire pit. Shall not be conducted within 10 feet of a structure or combustible materials. Burning of trash, rubbish and yard debris is prohibited.
- Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 10 feet of a structure or combustible material.
- Outdoor cooking, charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking devices shall not be operated on combustible balconies or within 10 feet of combustible construction within an apartment building

Red Flag Warnings, all outdoor fire activities are prohibited.

The Fountain Fire Department urges all citizens of Fountain to continue to use caution when using any open fire and or flame producing devices. Remember to always keep a safe area and make sure to keep fire suppression items available.

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James Maxon
Fountain Fire Chief