

# NEDERLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OPEN BURNING PERMIT REQUIREMENTS



Plans and/or spec sheets are required on all permit submissions to Nederland Fire.  
Permit applications must be submitted online and upon approval will be good for 30 days.

## [SUBMIT PERMIT APPLICATION](#)

*Before burning, please consider other safer alternatives -*

**Community Sort-Yard** for logs/chunk Wood, decayed wood, slash & branches:

<https://bouldercounty.gov/property-and-land/forest-health/community-forestry-sort-yards/#instructions>

**Transfer Station** for recycling, yard waste and food scraps:

<https://bouldercounty.gov/environment/trash/nederland-transfer-and-recycle/>

## What can you burn?

### YES

Tree branches (smaller than 6" in width)  
Tree trunks (smaller than 6" in width)  
Clean, DRY slash  
Clean, DRY forest debris

### NO

Household garbage/trash  
Construction materials  
Any wet materials  
Buildings And/or other structures  
Non-wood waster (tires, insulation, plastics)  
Leaf piles or lawn clippings  
Any material that is full of dirt/soil  
Food waste  
Animal carcasses  
Stumps

The following outlines the requirements for Open Burning:

1. On the day the burn is to be performed, there can be NO:
  - a. Fire restrictions <https://bouldercounty.gov/safety/fire/fire-restrictions/>
  - b. Red Flag warnings: <https://www.weather.gov/bou/fire>
  - c. Wind advisories/warnings:  
<https://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?lat=39.964025&lon=-105.504352>
2. There must be 10' of space between the open burn and ANY combustible material or structure, and the burn must be done on a "hard surface" (i.e. asphalt, concrete, mineral soil).
3. Means of suppression must be readily available and an adult needs to always attend to the burn. (i.e. bucket, hose or appropriate extinguisher for material being used:  
<https://www.nfpa.org/news-blogs-and-articles/blogs/2023/08/01/fire-extinguisher-types>)