

Health Effects of Smoke



Short-Term Effects

- Irritated eyes, lung, throat, sinuses
- Headaches and allergies
- Trouble breathing
- Asthma attacks
- Risk of heart attack and stroke



Long-Term Effects

- Chronic lung disease
- Chronic bronchitis
- Emphysema
- Nose, throat, lung, blood and lymph system cancers

To report an air quality problem:

- 1) Go ONLINE** for the quickest response:
pscleanair.org/complaint
- 2) CALL** our air quality complaint line:
800-552-3565, ext. 6
- 3) MAIL** your complaint to:
Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
ATTN: Inspection
1904 Third Avenue
Suite 105
Seattle, WA, 98101

NOTE: *Your complaint will become a public record.*


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Burn Ban

101



What's banned during an
air quality burn ban?


















Burn Ban 101

The Puget Sound Clean Air Agency issues air quality bans on indoor and outdoor burning when stagnant weather patterns cause air pollution to build up. These temporary bans typically occur in colder fall and winter months when smoke from wood stoves and fireplaces builds to unhealthy levels.

Agency inspectors enforce burn bans by looking for smoke coming from your chimney or stack. If they see thick smoke, you may get a notice of violation.

There are two stages of burn bans:

Stage 1	
<h1>No</h1>	<h1>Yes</h1>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Fireplaces  Uncertified wood stoves  Visible smoke from any device  Outdoor fires 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">  EPA-certified wood stoves  Pellet stoves  Natural gas or propane stoves or inserts

Stage 2	
<h1>No</h1>	<h1>Yes</h1>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Fireplaces  All wood stoves  Pellet stoves  Visible smoke from any device  Outdoor fires 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Natural gas or propane stoves or inserts

Don't get burned

Violating an air quality burn ban can result in significant civil penalties.

Air. On the **safe** side.

Watch for and observe air quality burn bans in your area. Check our website, call our hotline at **(800) 595-4341**, or sign up to receive a text or an email when burn bans are called at:

pscleanair.org/signup

Only burn dry wood or manufactured logs: no garbage, green or wet wood.

Burn HOT! Don't let your wood stove fires smolder.

Upgrade to cleaner heating. Choices include: certified wood stoves, gas or propane inserts; pellet stoves; gas and oil furnaces; and heat pumps.

For more information: **www.pscleanair.org**