

Moffat County Fire Ban Stage 1



Ordinance 2026-414



Moffat County Open Burning & Local Fire Restriction Ordinance
Includes all Private and State Lands within Moffat County.

Colorado County Fire Restriction Map- [CDPHE: Fire Restrictions](#)
US Forest Med Bow-Routt Forest - [Medicine Bow-Routt National Forests](#)
BLM Little Snake/White River - [Rocky Mtn. Area Interagency Fire Restriction](#)
Dinosaur National Monument- [Dinosaur National Monument](#)
USFWS, Browns Park Wildlife Refuge- [Browns Park National Wildlife Refuge](#)
White River Forest- [White River National Forest](#) | [Incident Information](#)

Activity	Stage I Ban (Effective 6/25/26 001 hours)
Agriculture "Open Fires"	*NOT ALLOWED Open burning of fields, fence rows, ditches, trash, piles or slash. *With special permit issued by the Sheriff's Office.
"Outdoor Fire" Warming and Cooking Fires (Developed campgrounds, picnic areas and private residence)	*ALLOWED *Must be in a permanent fire ring, brick-or-mortar fire pit, or grate; Ring/pit < 3 ft diameter (or length/width) and ≥ 18 in deep; Cleared of all flammable materials; Water or extinguisher must be readily available; Must be attended until fully out.
	*ALLOWED Shepherdher type stoves.
Outdoor Cooking	*ALLOWED *Charcoal grills, pellet grills, smokers, gas BBQs, gas firepits, turkey fryers, and liquid-fueled, stoves/lanterns; Area cleared of all flammable materials.
Outdoor Smoking	*ALLOWED *Only in areas cleared of all flammables or combustible materials or in designated smoking areas or vehicle.
Outdoor Welding, Cutting or Grinding	*ALLOWED WITH RESTRICTIONS Clear of flammable material 10' all sides. Fire extinguisher and shovel on hand
Fireworks, Model Rockets	*NOT ALLOWED *Except commercial fireworks approved by special permit issued by the Sheriff's Office.
Explosives	*NOT ALLOWED *Except fused explosives on designated mining property and by special permit issued by the Sheriff's Office.
Chainsaws or Internal Combustion Engine	*ALLOWED *With spark arrestor installed and maintained in proper working order.
Recreational Shooting	*ALLOWED WITH CAUTION
	*NOT ALLOWED Explosive targets, tracer and incendiary rounds.

"Open Fire":

Includes: Setting fire to any grass, wood, trash, debris or other combustible material outside of an enclosed structure: use of explosives or fireworks or outdoor welding, cutting/grinding or operating an acetylene torch with open flame.