

# **Red, White and Blue Fire Protection District**

## **Stage 1 Fire Restrictions**

### **Informational Sheet**

**Areas affected:** Unincorporated areas of Summit County, the Town of Breckenridge, the Town of Blue River, and USFS land.

#### **What is Allowed?**

- **Summit County**

- Fires contained within liquid-fueled or gas fueled stoves;
- Fires in fireplaces or stoves within all buildings;
- Fires contained within chimeneas;
- Charcoal fueled fires contained within grills;
- Charcoal fueled fires within permanent fire pits on privately owned property if:
  - Such contained charcoal fire is under constant supervision;
  - Adequate fire suppression apparatus is available at the location of the contained charcoal fire;
  - Notice of the contained charcoal fire has been provided to the local fire district; and
  - Notice of the contained charcoal fire has been provided to the Summit County Sheriff's Office;
- Pre-approved public fireworks displays;
- Fires used to inflate and propel hot air balloons; and
- Fires authorized by a Fire Protection District, United States Forest Service, or the Summit County Environmental Health Department pursuant to a properly issued Burn Permit or equivalent U.S. Forest Service administrative approval.
- At such time as they are authorized by the United States Forest Service, fires in the designated area of the following improved campgrounds: Pine Cove Campground, Peak One Campground, Heaton Bay Campground, Prospector Campground, Windy Point Campground, Lowry Campground, Blue River Campground, Prairie Point Campground, McDonald Flats Campground, Cataract Campground, Davis Springs Campground, Willows Campground, Elliot Creek Campground, North Cow Creek Campground, and South Cow Creek Campground.

- **Town of Breckenridge**

Please check the [Town of Breckenridge](#) website for current restrictions within the Town of Breckenridge city limits.

- **Town of Blue River**

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- **USFS Land**

Please check the [Dillon Ranger District](#) website for current restrictions in the local White River National Forest.

## What is Prohibited?

- **Summit County**

- Open Fires. An “Open Fire” shall be defined as any outdoor fire, including but not limited to campfires, warming fires, bonfires, or the prescribed burning of fence rows, fields, wildlands, trash, and debris.
- Use and/or sale of fireworks or explosives.
- Smoking in undeveloped areas except in an enclosed vehicle or buildings, a developed recreation site, designated outdoor areas where smoking is permitted, or while stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.
- Operating a chainsaw without a USDA or SAE approved spark arrester properly installed and in effective working order, a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher kept with the operator, and one round point shovel with an overall length of at least 35 inches readily available for use.
- Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame outdoors, except for in cleared area of at least 10 feet in diameter and with a chemical pressurized fire extinguisher on site.

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- **Town of Blue River**

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- Disposing of any burning object outdoors, including without limitation cigarettes, marijuana, cigars or matches.
- Selling fireworks.
- Operating a chainsaw without an approved spark arrester, 5 gallons of water, a 2A10BC classified dry chemical fire extinguisher and a round point shovel with an overall length of at least 36 inches. The fire extinguisher will be immediately accessible to the equipment operator. The water and shovel may be kept with fueling supplies but readily available for use.
- Welding or operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame outdoors.

- **USFS Land**

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## **References:**

[Summit County Government](#)

[Town of Breckenridge](#)

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[USFS](#)