

State of New Hampshire  
Department of Resources and Economic Development

# PREVENT FOREST FIRES

THIS IS A SYNOPSIS

## IT IS UNLAWFUL TO .....

- Burn **BRUSH OR OTHER MATERIALS** when the ground is not covered by snow without a written **FIRE PERMIT** from the Forest Fire Warden. **A PERMIT IS REQUIRED** to burn in an outdoor fireplace. **While raining a permit is still required.** Regulation **PROHIBITS** kindling of open fires between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. except when **RAINING**. Burning in violation of Air Pollution regulations is prohibited.
- Kindle a fire for any purpose on land of another without written permission of the owner or owner's agent and a written permit from the **FOREST FIRE WARDEN** of the town, except in authorized recreational areas where suitable fireplaces are approved by the Forest Fire Warden.
- Fail to **TOTALLY EXTINGUISH** any fire before leaving it.
- Discard **LIGHTED** matches, cigarettes or other burning substances from vehicles or otherwise.
- Throw any flammable waste material on, near or adjacent to a public highway or private way in or near woodlands.
- Fail to report a Forest or Brush Fire or fail to respond to a **FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S** call for assistance.

### Violations of RSA 227-L are subject to the following penalties:

Violation - May be fined up to \$1,000

Misdemeanor - May be fined up to \$2,000

or imprisoned up to one year or both.

Report all Fires to your Local Fire Department

***Your Efforts to Help Protect our Woodlands are Appreciated***



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