



TEMPORARY STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY STATE OF COLORADO

These Temporary Fire Stage 2 Restrictions, dated and executed below, supersede all previous Fire Restrictions and Fire Bans.

THESE TEMPORARY STAGE 2 FIRE RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO ALL LANDS IN UNINCORPORATED CLEAR CREEK COUNTY

Pursuant to Clear Creek County Ordinance No. 16, Clear Creek County Resolution R-01-83, C.R.S. § 30-15-401(1) (n.5) and (n.7), and C.R.S. §§ 30-10-512 and 30-10-513, and due to the continuing high fire danger conditions within Clear Creek County, **the following activities are PROHIBITED** pursuant to the following Stage 2 Fire Restrictions:

1. Igniting, building, maintaining, attending or using any Open Fire as defined in Ordinance No. 16, or using a fire, including charcoal grills and barbeques, coal and wood burning stoves and sheepherder's stoves.

“Open Fire” is defined in Clear Creek County Ordinance No. 16 as: *“Any fire outdoors for any purpose, including, but not limited to, bonfires, campfires, charcoal or wood barbeques; lighting off fireworks of any kind, trash or rubbish burning, smoking and lawn, weed, ditch or crop burning”; but excludes “propane or natural gas barbeque or liquid fuel stove if it is attended at all times and is in a fully enclosed, covered barbeque grill or is contained within a liquid fuel stove.”*

2. Sale, possessing, discharging or using any type of fireworks or other pyrotechnic devices, including sparklers.
3. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle, trailer, or building.
4. Possessing or operating off roads any motor vehicle or off-highway vehicle (OHV), regardless of whether the OHV is classified as a motor vehicle. The only exceptions to this prohibition are:
 - a. Vehicles may be parked in an area devoid of vegetation within 10 feet of a roadway or a driveway serving private property.
 - b. Overnight parking is permitted in Forest Service-developed campgrounds and trailheads.
5. All other outdoor spark- or flame-producing activities.
6. Shooting (discharging of firearms of any kind) except while hunting pursuant to a valid hunting license, as defined in C.R.S. § 33-1-102(25.5) and (27), and C.R.S. § 33-4-102, or target shooting within the Clear Creek County Sport Shooting Park, located at 3204 Stanley Road, Dumont, CO 80436.
7. Operating a chain saw without having (a) a USDA or SAE approved spark arresting device properly installed and in proper working order, (b) an extinguishing source, water, pressurized

water extinguisher, or a proper chemical pressurized extinguisher, large enough to handle nearby hazards, **and** (c) at least one large-size, pointed shovel with an overall length of at least thirty-six inches, readily available for quick use.

8. Operating welding and cutting torch appliances, except within an area that is barren or cleared of all combustible material at least 30 feet in all directions from the operating equipment. "Welding and Cutting Torch Appliances" include, but are not limited to: electric, portable and/or gas-fueled devices that generate high-temperature flames, heat, sparks, molten metal slag, or other flammable material typically used to melt, fuse, join, sever or separate metals.

EXEMPTIONS APPROVED UNDER THIS TEMPORARY STAGE 2 FIRE BAN

1. Persons with a valid written permit from the Sheriff or appropriate Fire Authority which specifically authorizes the prohibited act.
2. Any federal, State, or local law enforcement or fire officer acting in the performance of an official duty.
3. Open fires required in religious ceremonies and for which a valid written permit has been granted in advance by the local Fire Authority.

Individuals operating under any of the above exemptions shall take adequate measures to prevent uncontrolled fires. Measures include, but are not limited to:

- a. containers of adequate water or dry soil nearby; and/or
- b. shovels, fire extinguishers, or other extinguishing agents nearby; and/or
- c. coordination with the local Fire Authority to be on scene or standby during an activity.

NOTE: Burn permits issued and not executed prior to the effective date of these Temporary Stage 2 Fire Restrictions shall not be authorized unless approved by the issuing agency on the day of execution.

ENFORCEMENT

Violators may be charged with 4th degree Arson, and/or Reckless Endangerment, or unlawful conduct on public or private property, or as provided in Clear Creek County Ordinance No. 16, as determined by the Sheriff.

These Temporary Stage 2 Fire Restrictions will become effective at 12:00 PM MST on June 29, 2026, and shall remain in effect until superseded or repealed.

Executed this 29th day of June, 2026, at 11:30 AM.

CLEAR CREEK COUNTY SHERIFF



Matt Brown, Undersheriff, for
Ronald Thornton, Sheriff