



**U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service
Dixie National Forest**

Stage II Fire Restrictions

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited on all National Forest System (NFS) lands within the Dixie National Forest:

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(a). This includes charcoal grills and barbecues, coal and wood burning stoves and shepherd's stoves
2. Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle or building or a developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of any flammable material. 36 CFR § 261.52(d)

THE FOLLOWING ACTS ARE PROHIBITED FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 10:00 P.M.

3. Operating a generator, chainsaw or other equipment powered by an internal combustion engine for felling, bucking, skidding, processing, road building and woodcutting capable of igniting a fire. 36 C.F.R. § 261.52(g).
4. Welding or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame. 36 CFR § 261.52(h).
5. Possessing or using a motor vehicle off established roads, motorized trails or established parking areas, except when parking in an area devoid of vegetation within 10 feet of the vehicle. 36 C.F.R. § 261.56.
6. Blasting of any type or use of any type of explosive 36 C.F.R § 261.52(b).

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. As to Prohibition #1 above, persons using a stove or grill that is solely fueled by pressurized liquid petroleum or pressurized liquid petroleum gas (LPG) fuels. Such devices can only be used in an area that is barren or cleared of all overhead and surrounding flammable materials within 3 feet of the device.
2. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).

3. Persons operating within the Described Area pursuant to a Forest Service Timber Contract using Form No. FS-2400-2, FS-2400-3(S/T), FS-2400-4, FS-2400-6(T), FS-2400-13(T), or FS-2400-33(T). Such persons are allowed to conduct loading and hauling operations at any time and must follow all contract provisions referencing emergency fire precautions and/or fire prevention requirements while engaged in operations.
4. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect public health and safety, as well as National Forest System lands, resources, and facilities, by reducing the risk of human-caused wildfires during the current period of high fire danger and severe fire weather conditions.

IMPLEMENTATION

1. This Order shall be in effect from August 01, 2025 at 12:01am and shall remain in effect until December 31, 2025 or until rescinded, whichever is sooner.
2. A map identifying the Described Area is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit A.
3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
5. Contact the Dixie National Forest Supervisor's Office in Cedar City, Utah, (435) 865-3700, for more information about this Order.
6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts in the same Described Area.

Signed and issued on July 31, 2025.

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Dixie National Forest

STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS

DEFINITIONS:

DESIGNATED AREA: Developed recreation sites such as (campgrounds and picnic areas) that are maintained and administered by the Forest Service, shown on the current Forest visitor maps, and are equipped with a permanent fire structures.

FIRE STRUCTURE: A permanent metal or concrete structure, which is specifically designed for the purpose of containing a campfire or cooking fire that has been installed and maintained by the Forest Service or equivalent.

STOVE FIRE: A fire built inside a fully enclosed metal stove, grill, or sheep herder type stove, which is outfitted with a chimney that is at least five (5) feet in length and is equipped with a spark arrestor consisting of a mesh screen with a screen opening of ¼ inch or less.

CHAIN SAW: A saw powered by an internal combustion engine, with cutting teeth linked in an endless chain.

For further definitions or clarification of definitions, refer to [36 CFR § 261.2].