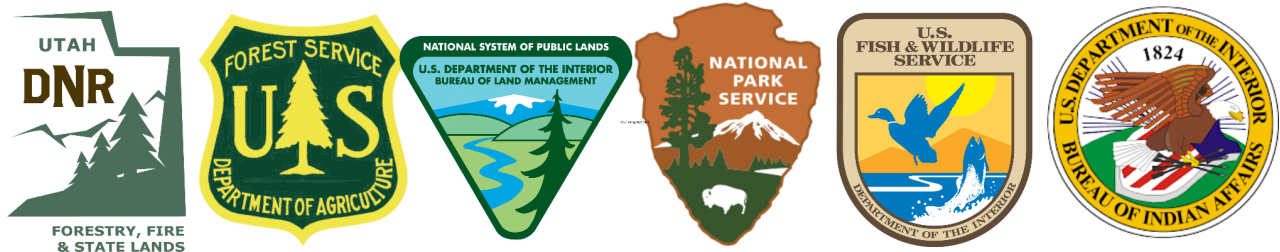


# UTAH INTERAGENCY FIRE



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## Stage 2 Fire Restrictions Issued Across Utah

Utah — Due to extreme fire danger, persistent hot and dry weather, and an increase in statewide fire activity, interagency fire officials are implementing Stage 2 Fire Restrictions beginning August 1, 2025, at 12:01 a.m. These restrictions apply to all state and private unincorporated lands in Utah.

In addition, some federal land management agencies are also enacting Stage 2 restrictions on Bureau of Land Management (BLM), National Park Service (NPS), and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) lands, except the Uinta-Wasatch-Cache and Ashley National Forests.

Note: Incorporated cities and towns are exempt. Check with local fire departments or county fire wardens for local regulations and restrictions.

### Who is in Stage 2 Fire Restrictions?

#### State of Utah

- All state and private unincorporated lands (Includes Trust Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife Management Areas)

#### Bureau of Land Management

- Color Country District
- Canyon Country District

- Green River District
- Paria River District
- West Desert District

#### U.S. Forest Service

- Dixie National Forest
- Fishlake National Forest
- Manti-La Sal National Forest

#### National Park Service

- Year-round fire restrictions are always in effect for all National Park units. Please check with each individual park for the most current fire restriction information.

### What's NOT Allowed (Stage 2 Prohibitions)

1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire is prohibited, including charcoal grills, pellet grills, or ash-producing fuel
  - Applies even at homes and in developed camping or picnic grounds
2. Smoking, except:
  - Within an enclosed vehicle, trailer, or building
  - At a developed recreation site
  - While stopped in an area paved or cleared of dry vegetation
3. Discharging or using fireworks, tracer ammunition, or other pyrotechnic devices, including exploding targets
4. Cutting, welding, or grinding metal in areas of dry vegetation
5. Operating motorcycles, chainsaws, ATVs, or other small internal combustion engines without an approved and working spark arrestor

### What's Allowed

- Properly shielded gas or liquid-fueled portable camp stoves with a shut-off valve, with at least a three-foot-diameter area cleared of flammable vegetation.
- Activities conducted under a valid permit or waiver issued by a land agency within designated locations
- On-duty firefighters performing official duties.

Violating Stage 2 restrictions is a Class B misdemeanor, punishable by:

- Up to 6 months in jail
- A fine of up to \$1,000

## Why the Restrictions?

"The Deer Creek and Monroe Canyon Fires show how quickly fire behavior can turn extreme in Utah right now. With fuels drying out more each day and no relief in sight, our landscapes are becoming increasingly at risk for large wildfires," said Brett Ostler, Fire Management Officer with the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands.

Chris Delaney, BLM Utah State Fire Management Officer, added:

"Utah's lower-elevation rangelands are critically dry, and fire behavior across the state has been extreme this year. With hot, windy conditions, even small sparks can quickly turn into fast-moving wildfires. Stage 2 restrictions are necessary to protect these vulnerable landscapes and nearby communities."

"Some of our national forests are seeing critical conditions, while others are not," said Zephaniah Cunningham, Acting Fire Director for the Forest Service Intermountain Region. "We want people to be able to recreate as freely as possible, while protecting areas that are currently more susceptible to wildfire. These restrictions will continuously be evaluated and change as needed, based on the data."

## Stay Informed

Agency-specific fire restrictions may vary. Please check the fire restrictions page for agency-specific orders and maps at [UtahFireInfo.gov](https://utahfireinfo.gov) or visit the managing agency's website for detailed information.

- Prevention & Safety Resources: [www.UtahFireSense.org](https://www.UtahFireSense.org)
- Current Wildfire Updates & Information: Follow @UtahWildfire on social media
- National Fire Information: [www.nifc.gov](https://www.nifc.gov)

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Stay safe and help protect Utah's public lands from human-caused wildfire.