



What You Need To Know When Using Spark-Emitting Equipment on Public Lands

Industrial Fire Precaution Levels (IFPLs)

The Pacific Northwest uses two systems to reduce wildfire risk on public lands. From April 1 to October 31, one system applies to woods workers and other industrial forest/rangeland users. The IFPL system regulates spark-emitting devices on timber sales, service contracts, and other industrial activities.

IV General Shutdown

III Partial Shutdown

II Partial Hootowl

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Fire equipment and fire watch service is required. The fire watch is required to stay in the area for one hour after power equipment has been shut off to watch for fire starts.



II Partial Hootowl

The following may operate only between the hours of 8 p.m. and 1 p.m. (no operation between 1 pm and 8 p.m.):

- Power saws except at loading sites
- Cable yarding
- Welding or cutting metal



III Partial Shutdown

The following are **PROHIBITED** except as indicated:

- **Cable yarding** – except that gravity operated logging systems employing nonmotorized carriages or approved motorized carriages may operate between 8 p.m. and 1 p.m. when all block and moving lines, except for the line between the carriage and the chokers, are suspended ten feet above the ground;
- **Power saws** – except power saws may be used at loading sites and on tractor/skidder operations between the hours of 8 p.m. and 1 p.m. local time.



IV General Shutdown

ALL OPERATIONS ARE PROHIBITED.



Learn more at:

[Industrial Fire Precaution Levels](#)

24-Hour Fire Precaution

Information: 1-800-523-4737



Fire Restrictions (Public Use Restrictions)

These restrictions, enacted for public health and safety, are aimed at the general public, recreationists and forest/rangeland visitors. These restrictions limit activities in order to reduce human-caused fires, especially in more hazardous areas. Activities limited can include campfires, shooting, smoking, atv use, and others. In extreme cases, road or area closures may occur.