

**Mehlville Fire Protection District
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Open Burning Information

Effective April 15, 1996, open burning of tree leaves or residential brush or any other type of vegetation is limited to the period beginning September 16 and ending April 14 of each year.

You should obtain an approval letter from the Mehlville Fire Protection District Fire Prevention Bureau prior to conducting an open burn. You should also have means available to control/extinguish your open burn.

1. Notify Central County Fire Alarm at 636 394-5442 on the day of the open burn, just before the fire being ignited.
2. Painted, creosoted, wolmanized or otherwise treated wood must **NOT** be used to fuel the fire.
3. The fire must not be used to dispose of food or rubbish waste.
4. The fire must be completely extinguished before leaving the premises.
5. Small burns must not exceed a base area of four (4) feet by four (4) feet, nor four (4) feet in height.
6. Burning may take place between 10:00 am and 4:00 pm only.

If smoke, ash or particulate matter from an open burn remains visible beyond the property line of origin, or found on surfaces beyond the property line of origin, this may be a violation of the Missouri Air Pollution Control Rule, 10CSR 10-6.170 - *Restriction of Particulate Matter to the Ambient Air Beyond the Premises of Origin*. Such an occurrence could result in issuance of a Notice of Violation from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Any violation of the Missouri Air Pollution Control Rules could also result in a fine from the State of Missouri.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office at 314.894.0420 ext. 1703.

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