

# **WILKESBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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For immediate release

Friday, March 21, 2025

## Burn Ban in Effect for the Town of Wilkesboro

Effective immediately, the Town of Wilkesboro Fire Department Fire Marshal along with the County of Wilkes Fire Marshal, has issued a local burning ban on all outdoor burning inside the town limits of Wilkesboro. The ban prohibits any open burning within 100 feet of any structure regardless of the issuance of a burning permit or stated town open burning ordinances. This ban includes and is not limited to recreational fires, portable outdoor fireplaces, burning of yard debris and outdoor fire pits regardless of town ordinance at this time.

Furthermore, any burning over 100 feet from a structure is also affected by this burn ban notice as the NC Forest Service is placing a total burn ban for the entire state and all 100 counties effective 8am this morning.

This burning ban issued by the Town of Wilkesboro FD Fire Marshal, is per North Carolina Fire Code Chapter 3, Section 307 which states this ban can be enforced and burning “shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous” and prevent for potential for increased fire hazards due to extremely dry weather conditions.

This burn ban will remain in effect until an adequate amount of rainfall is received to alleviate the current drought and fire weather conditions that are present in our area. A lifting of this burn ban will only take place following the guidance and recommendations of the NC Forest Service.

For any questions or concerns about the burn ban for the Town of Wilkesboro please contact Fire Marshal, Robbie Bolin at 336-667-6228 (FD) or 336-928-5117 (M).

Remind, this burn ban is in effect as of 8am this morning and supersedes all town burning ordinances until lifted.

Robbie Bolin  
Town of Wilkesboro FD  
Fire Marshal