



Before you burn

CALL YOUR LOCAL FIRE AGENCY

Consider composting, chipping, or covering your pile until it's safer to burn. Or haul it to a recycling center.

If you cannot safely burn your yard debris this spring, cover your pile to let it dry out over the summer. Then burn it in the fall when it is safe again.

If you must burn:

- Call your local fire agency before you burn, because there may be restrictions or requirements
- Check the weather forecast
- Clear a 10-foot circle around your pile
- Always have a hose connected to a water supply, or have a water source available, and keep a shovel nearby
- Never use gasoline
- Burn yard debris only
- Stay with your burn. Never leave it unattended
- **Make sure your fire is out and cold to the touch**

Check your lawn equipment

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Keep your equipment from starting the next wildfire.

- Ask if equipment use is restricted
- Use gas-powered equipment early in the day
- Use a weed trimmer with plastic line
- Keep the exhaust system in proper working order
- Make sure your gas-powered tools are equipped with approved spark arresters
- Keep a fire extinguisher or water-charged hose close by



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For more information on [debris burning](https://www.oregon.gov) go to [oregon.gov](https://www.oregon.gov). For wildfire prevention, visit [KeepOregonGreen.org](https://www.KeepOregonGreen.org)