

**WAC 332-24-201 Burning permit program—Requirements and exceptions.** Under authority granted in RCW 76.04.015 and 76.04.205, the following regulation is hereby promulgated:

(1) The department is responsible, by law, for the granting of burning permits for burning on lands it protects; and

(2) The department administers the protection of air quality as provided in chapter 70.94 RCW resulting from burning on lands under its protection; and

(3) The department has determined that the effects of such burning on life, property and air quality are of year-round effect; therefore

(4) Throughout the year, outdoor fire is prohibited on lands protected by the department where forest protection assessment is being, or is subject to being, assessed unless:

(a) A written burning permit is obtained from the department and the requirements of WAC 332-24-205 and 332-24-221 are followed; or

(b) Burning meets the regulations outlined in WAC 332-24-205 and 332-24-211.

(5) This chapter applies to all burning on lands protected by the department. It does not apply to agricultural burning as defined in WAC 173-425-030(1) nor to open burning as defined in WAC 173-425-030(2).

[Statutory Authority: RCW 76.04.015, 76.04.205 and 70.94.660. WSR 92-14-096 (Order 599), § 332-24-201, filed 6/30/92, effective 7/31/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 76.04.015. WSR 91-20-060 (Order 583), § 332-24-201, filed 9/24/91, effective 10/16/91; WSR 87-11-005 (Order 504), § 332-24-201, filed 5/8/87.]