

Due to COVID-19 do NOT come to the Fire Station. Instead call (209) 532-7431, 8am to 12pm or 1pm to 4pm, Monday through Friday. Leave a message, we will call back as soon as possible to schedule. Fire Dept. staff will collect the fee on site, which must be paid in exact change, or by check or money order, made out to the City of Sonora. Ensure your area is properly prepped (as demonstrated below), before calling for the appointment.

Burn permits are **REQUIRED** in the City of Sonora. There is a \$20.00 fee for a one-year permit. To obtain a permit you must fill out a permit form at the Sonora Fire Station, located at 201 S. Shepherd Street, pay the fee, and have your burn area inspected. The Fire Department conducts same day inspections time/call permitting. Before applying for a burn permit, make sure you have correctly prepped the burn area. If it is not prepared, we cannot issue a permit.

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A hose must be nearby & connected to water supply

Burn area must have 15' (fifteen feet) of bare mineral soil (dirt/rock, etc.).



Metal tools, like a shovel or rake, must be near the pile

Burn pile cannot be larger in diameter than 4' (four feet) nor taller than 4' (four feet) in height

It must be a permissive burn day. Call before you burn 209-533-5598

Only dry tree trimmings, brush, and plant materials may be burned

An adult must be on site at all times while burning