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The Fall period for burning of yard and garden trimmings by residents in the various city limits of Cowlitz County will begin on October 10, 1989 and extend through sundown, December 15, 1989. Annual written permits are required by Longview Fire Department and permits are required by Fire District #2 for the fall season inside Kelso city limits.

In other areas of the County, small residential vegetation debris disposal fires generally can be burned year round, without a permit, by following the rules. Written burning permits are issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for land clearing fires larger than 10 feet across.

The approved burning is limited to natural vegetation from yard and garden in the form of leaves, clippings, prunings and other similar vegetation, and must be conducted according to fire safety requirements of the fire departments. Burning will be allowed every day from sunrise to sunset. No burning of household wastes or materials not grown on the property is allowed. Burning must be discontinued if it creates a fire hazard or nuisance condition. Industrial, commercial, and municipal burning is not permitted in any area, except as provided in land clearing pursuits, by permit.

For burning regulations and written burning permit information, contact the Southwest Air Pollution Control Authority toll-free at 1-800-633-0709, or the Department of Natural Resources, at 577-2025 or toll-free at 1-800-527-3305, Southwest Region.