



STAGE 1 FIRE RESTRICTIONS

ARE IN EFFECT FOR U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE LANDS INCLUDING THE CHARLES M. RUSSEL NWR AND UL BEND NWR

THE FOLLOWING ACTS ARE PROHIBITED:

1. **Building, maintaining, attending, or using a campfire except within an agency developed fire ring.**
 - **EXEMPTION:** Persons using a fire solely fueled by liquid petroleum or LPG fuels.
2. **Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, a developed, designated recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.**



*Campfire is defined as a fire, not within any building, mobile home, or living accommodation mounted on a vehicle, which is not used for cooking, branding, personal warmth, lighting, ceremonial, or aesthetic purposes. Campfires are open fires, usually built on the ground, from native fuels or charcoal, including charcoal grills.

**Wood burning stoves for personal warmth are permitted only when an approved spark arrestor is properly installed, maintained and in effective working order.



VIOLATIONS:

- You could be fined up to \$5,000 individually or \$10,000 for an organization and imprisonment up to 6 months for violating restrictions and closures.
- You can be held liable for all suppression costs and damages if you start a fire.

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The use of fire restrictions on US Fish and Wildlife Service lands helps to prevent unwanted, human-caused fires and to limit the exposure of visitors during periods of potentially dangerous fire conditions. An explanation of the different stages of fire restrictions and what is typically prohibited during those stages can be found online at:

<https://www.mtfireinfo.org/>