



ORANGE COUNTY FIRE AUTHORITY

Fire Prevention Department - Planning and Development Services Section

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New Residential Outdoor Fireplaces and Fire Pits adjacent to Fuel Modification Zones or Vegetation Management Areas

Plan Submittal is not required: Project is for a Single Family Home or Duplex and the Fireplace, Fire Pit, Bar-B-Q, or Outdoor Oven is only burning a natural gas flame.

Plan Submittal is required: For multi-family units or the burning of wood or other solid fuels.
(Complete a separate form for each device. Place a corresponding number on the plan. Ex: Fireplace #1 and Fire pit #2)

OCFA Site Exhibit Submittal Instructions:

Submit a hand drawn or professionally drawn site exhibit. Show the distance of the device / appliance from the home, and also the distance from the back and the side property lines. Indicate the ridge or bottom of slope.

Design Requirements:

- The Building Department is screening requirements of the Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Rule 445 for wood burning devices. Please check with the Building Department prior to designing.
- The burning of wood or other solid fuels in an outdoor fireplace or fire pit is not allowed within a fuel modification zone or within 30 feet of non-irrigated native vegetation. (2010 CFC Section 319 and 325.)
- For Fire Pits/Rings only, the outdoor burning of wood or other solid fuels is not allowed within 15 feet of structures and potentially within 200 feet of non-irrigated natural vegetation unless a spark arrester is installed. (2010 CFC Section 305.4, 305.5, and 307.1.1 and 307.4.)

List the Type of Device. Complete a separate form for separate devices. Place a corresponding number on the plan.
(Fireplace, Fire Pit / Ring, etc) _____

Is homeowner proposing to burn wood or other solid fuel in the device / appliance? (Circle one) **YES / NO**

Address of Installation _____ City _____ Date _____

Homeowner Name _____ Phone _____

Contractor Company _____ Phone _____

The person on file processing this permit shall provide this form to the homeowner. The property owner assumes a responsibility for the alteration or removal of fireplace when determined solid fuel was burned inappropriately. OCFA does not review the design of the device or inspect the initial installation.

Reviewed _____

(Orange County Fire Authority Use Only)
(Initial and Stamp)

OCFA _____ **Natural Gas Flame is allowed. Burning of wood or other solid fuel is prohibited**

OCFA _____ **Wood Burning is Acceptable per the 2010 California Fire Code.** (Check with the Building Department prior to designing any wood burning device for AQMD Rule 445).

OCFA _____ **Spark Arrester is required** _____

OCFA _____ **OCFA Comment** _____

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