

Plumas County Office of Emergency Services Review

Please address how you will provide for the following:

Fire Protection:

- Communication in the event of an emergency.** Describe how event personnel will communicate between each other and notify emergency responders in the case of a wildfire.
- Fire Response.** Describe who will be designated to respond to incidents at your event.
- Fire Equipment** – list what fire suppression equipment you will have available on site in the event of a fire.
- Fire Patrol-** How will patrols be accomplished?

Evacuation Plan:

- Written procedural plan**
- Evacuation Route identification-** how are routes identified for the public? How will attendees be notified of routes in advance of an emergency?

Prevention of Wildfires:

- Wildfire Prevention Awareness - signing.** Locations fire prevention signs will be posted.
- Prevention of specific potential wildfire causes:**
 - Smoking:** Describe steps you will take to provide safe smoking areas for smokers.
 - Parking in dry grass:** Describe steps you will take to ensure vehicles hot catalytic convertors will not come in contact with dry grass in designated parking areas.
 - Campfires and camp stove use:** Describe fire prevention measures.
 - Fireworks:** Describe fire prevention measures.
 - Generator use:** Describe fire prevention measures. See California PRC 4431, PRC 4427 and PRC 4442 requirements
 - Use of portable equipment** (Examples- Welding, cutting, grinding, chainsaw use): See California PRC 4431, PRC 4427 and PRC 4442 requirements

California Public Resources Codes – Wildfire Prevention

PRC § 4431 – Use of portable equipment

During any time of the year when burning permits are required in an area pursuant to this article, **no person shall use or operate or cause to be operated in the area any portable saw, auger, drill, tamper, or other portable tool powered by a gasoline-fueled internal combustion engine on or near any forest-covered land, brush-covered land, or grass-covered land, within 25 feet of any flammable material, without providing and maintaining at the immediate locations of use or operation of the saw or tool, for firefighting purposes:**

1. One serviceable round point shovel, with an overall length of not less than 46 inches, or one serviceable fire extinguisher. The Director of Forestry and Fire Protection shall by administrative regulation specify the type and size of fire extinguisher necessary to provide at least minimum assurance of controlling fire caused by use of portable power tools under various climatic and fuel conditions. The required fire tools shall at no time be farther from the point of operation of the power saw or tool than 25 feet with unrestricted access for the operator from the point of operation.

PRC § 4427 - Limits on Work When Burning Permits Required

“During any time of the year when burning permits are required in an area pursuant to this article, **no person shall use or operate any motor, engine, boiler, stationary equipment, welding equipment, cutting torches, tarpots, or grinding devices from which a spark, fire, or flame may originate, which is located on or near any forest-covered land, brush-covered land, or grass-covered land, without doing both of the following:**

- (a) First clearing away all flammable material, including snags, from the area around such operation for a distance of 10 feet.
- (b) Maintain **one serviceable round point shovel** with an overall length of not less than forty-six (46) inches and one backpack pump water-type fire extinguisher fully equipped and ready for use at the immediate area during the operation”.

Section 4427 (b) of the Public Resource Code also requires these tools to be carried on each piece of equipment and that they be kept in a serviceable condition.

PRC § 4442 – Spark Arrestor Required

“(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, no person shall use, operate, or allow to be used or operated, any internal combustion engine which uses hydrocarbon fuels on any forest-covered land, brush-covered land, or grass-covered land unless the engine is equipped with a spark arrester, as defined in subdivision (c), maintained in effective working order or the engine is constructed, equipped, and maintained for the prevention of fire.”