

# FIRST STEPS TO CUSTOMIZE THIS TEMPLATE:

## ON PAGE 1:

- Insert the town/city name in the first block of text
- Insert town/city name in the bottom color block

## ON PAGE 2:

- Remove or edit the uniform restrictions message, if applicable
- Insert QR codes to direct users to the correct resource pages
- Edit fines to reflect the fines established by your town/city/county

## ON PAGE 3:

- Insert town/city name on the first line
- Insert town/city name after “sign up for...”
- Replace the QR code to reflect where users can sign up for you local emergency alert system
- Insert town/city name twice in the text under “READY”

# NEXT STEPS TO CUSTOMIZE THIS TEMPLATE:

## ON PAGE 3:

- Insert an image of your location’s designated evacuation routes or zones, if applicable
  - Otherwise delete box and center the “Don’t Wait” message

*This packet was specifically developed for short-term rentals in Arizona. Adapt to other states and ecological contexts with care.*

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It is critical both RESIDENTS AND VISITORS do everything possible to prevent wildfires. Please do what you can to protect [INSERT PLACE NAME (e.g. Pinetop-Lakeside)] beautiful lands and homes from the effects of wildfire, especially during fire season. Call 911 if you see an unattended or out-of-control fire.

# KNOW BEFORE YOU'RE TOLD "NO"

## DO

When in use, keep your grill at least 3 feet away from any structures, deck railings, and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.

Use an established fire ring away from low overhanging branches. Clear dry flammable materials, like pine needles, from outside the ring.

When finished, drown your campfire with water, stir, and drown again. A fire is not considered out until it is cold to the touch.

Cross tow chains under the hitch to form an X.

If chains are not at least 5 inches off the ground, twist them a few times to shorten them before securing them in place or use a tow chain hanger.

Park in designated areas without vegetation.

Even when not in fire stage restrictions, smoke in an area with at least a 3 foot diameter clearing of any flammable material.



## DON'T

Do not light a grill or fire without checking local fire restrictions.

Never leave a grill, campfire, or debris burn unattended.

Avoid burning on windy, dry days and keep campfires small to prevent fires from spreading out of control.

Never let trailer chains drag - one spark can start a wildfire.

Never park on dry grass. The hot undercarriage of a vehicle can ignite vegetation.

Do not throw cigarettes out of a vehicle or on the ground.

**-THANK YOU FOR DOING YOUR PART TO PROTECT [INSERT PLACE NAME] FROM WILDFIRE-**

# FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Fire restrictions are enforceable rules that apply to both visitors and residents on private property as well as public lands. They come in different stages as fire danger increases and are designed to protect lives, property, and the places we love from a wildfire.

## THE 3 STAGES OF FIRE RESTRICTIONS:

### Stage 1 Restrictions

- NO building or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire unless in a developed and designated campground or in a backyard area clear of debris
- NO smoking except in an enclosed vehicle, building, or developed recreation site
- NO fireworks, explosives or tracer rounds



### Stage 2 Restrictions

- NO building or using a fire, campfire, briquettes, or charcoal
- NO smoking except in an enclosed vehicle, building, or developed recreation site
- NO fireworks, explosives or tracer rounds
- NO using a motor vehicle off designated roads/trails, except when parking on bare soil within 10 feet of the road



### Stage 3

#### Forest Closure

Under Stage 3 fire restrictions, the public cannot enter any National Forest lands, or National Forest roads and trails.



Restrictions are uniform across Apache & Navajo Counties, Pinetop-Lakeside, Show Low, and Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest.

\*Fort Apache Indian Reservation is under Stage 1 Fire Restrictions year-round.

### Fire Information Resources:

To find out current stage restrictions for this area

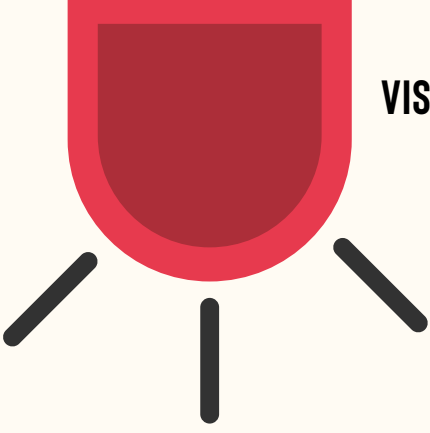


To see current fire danger for the local forest and learn more about fire restrictions



### VIOLATION OF THESE RESTRICTIONS

on national forests is punishable by a fine up to \$5,000, imprisonment up to six months, or both. In the town and county, first time violators face a minimum fine of \$500-\$1,500.



A WILDFIRE CAN OCCUR ANYTIME IN AND AROUND [INSERT PLACE NAME]  
**VISITORS MUST BE JUST AS PREPARED TO EVACUATE AS THOSE WHO LIVE HERE.**

Sign up for [INSERT NAME] Emergency Notification System to receive texts, emails, and/or calls about evacuations during wildfires and other information during disaster events such as storms or floods.



*You can easily be removed from the list after your trip - please sign up regardless of how short your visit!*

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## KNOW WHEN TO GO

Ready, Set, Go, is a three-tier system used to communicate the level of risk in your area.

### Ready

Be aware of the hazards that threaten this community. Register for [INSERT NAME] emergency alerts, follow [INSERT NAME] Emergency Management & Preparedness on Facebook, and monitor local news.

### Set

There is significant danger in your area. Be ready to evacuate at any time by packing up your belongings and pets, assuming you will not be able to return. Consider relocating outside the affected area. Keep your phone fully charged, gas tank full, and know your evacuation route.

### Go!

Fire is imminent. Leave immediately, it is unsafe to stay. Follow instructions from officials and avoid closed areas.

#### **DON'T WAIT**

*In the event of a fast-moving fire, you may not receive a notification from the County emergency alert system.*

*Trust your gut and leave if you feel uncertain.*

Evac map