



Kingman County Commission

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Kingman County burn permits will remain online in 2015

Kingman County permits for open burning will again be available only online in 2015. A permit is required each year to conduct any prescribed burns in the county and the rules and regulations are being updated for 2015. The 2015 permits will be available through the county's website, kingmancoks.com.

This will be the second year for the electronic format, which the county first introduced in 2014. There is no cost for the permit. This system allows residents to apply for a permit 24/7 from the comfort of home. Smart phone users can apply for a permit from anywhere they have service.

It is important that anyone wanting a permit apply no earlier than Jan. 1. Any permit acquired before that date will not be valid in 2015. Permit dates are generated automatically by the system and cannot be manipulated. Your permit must begin with the number "15" to be valid.

When a controlled burn is planned, a call must first be made to the 911 dispatcher to check weather conditions and receive the OK to burn. Part of that process includes giving the permit number. Therefore it is important the permit be valid. Illegal burns are subject to prosecution in Kingman County.

The open burning resolution, rules and regulations also will be posted on the website. When applying for a permit, users will be asked to check a box verifying they have read and understand that information, which has been revised for 2015. Anyone who enters a valid e-mail address will receive the permit via e-mail. The permit also can be printed directly from the Internet. It includes a wallet-sized card that can be clipped and carried for easy reference.

Anyone with questions about the permit or application process may call Fred Simon, Kingman County director of emergency management, during office hours at (620) 532-5081.

Help to apply for a burn permit will be available starting Jan. 2 at the county clerk's office, which is on the second floor of the courthouse at 130 N. Spruce. Application assistance also will be offered by several area businesses, including 4G Feed, Kingman; Cunningham Co-op; Penalosa Co-op; Brown Spur Co-op; Zenda Co-op; Belmont Co-op, and Norwich Co-op.

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