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### **Clallam County Fire District 3** NEWSLETTER

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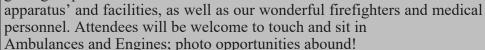
# Open Houses and Station Tours

Chief Andrews, along with Fire Commissioners, and District Members, would like to invite you to attend the District's Open Houses.

Each station, 6 in total, and Maintenance/Training Facility will host open houses on:

October 15th, 2022 from 12pm-3pm (addresses below).

This is an opportunity for your entire family to tour the stations while getting acquainted with the District's



### Locations:

Training/Maintenance Facility—255 Carlsborg Road (Carlsborg)

Station 31 — 4721 Sequim Dungeness Way (Sequim)

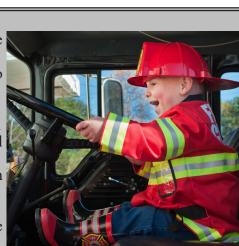
Station 32 — 256702 Hwy 101 (Port Angeles)

Station 33 — 70 Carlsborg Road (Carlsborg)

Station 34 — 323 N. 5th Ave. (Sequim)

Station 35 — 121 Sunshine Ave. (Diamond Point)

Station 37 — 4 Sophus Road (Blyn)



# **Outdoor Burning**

Did you know that outdoor burning is allowed in Clallam County? It is! Although Fire District 3 no longer requires a written burn permit, there are still rules and processes to understand and follow, here are some of the most important ones:

Clallam County Fire District 3 is not the Authority having Jurisdiction (AHJ), the AHJ is ORCAA. They are the entity you should call with burn complaints and concerns. Their number is 1-800-422-5623; they can issue citations for illegal burning, whereas the District cannot.

You may ask then, what is the role of the Fire District as related to outdoor burning? The Fire District responds to true emergencies where a fire is threatening life and property. The Fire District educates citizens on proper burning rules. The Fire District will also respond to any medical emergency that may arise from burns or smoke inhalation.

Did you know, that the Fire District is not the entity that controls when burn bans are implemented? The AHJ who implements burn bans and restrictions is the Fire Marshal at Clallam County.

You can visit their website at:

http://www.clallam.net/permits/burningrestrictions.html.

Did you know there is a difference between Burn Restrictions and a Burn Ban? There are! Burn Restrictions are implemented every year on July 1st through September 30th. During this time, you may no longer burn Residential Yard Debris fires, you may only have a campfire, in an established fire pit ,that is no larger than 3x3x2, this is referred to as a recreational fire. A Burn Ban is when there is NO open flame at all!

Residential fires are *only* to consist of Natural Vegetation; whereas Recreational fires are to *only* consist of charcoal or seasoned fire wood.

Did you know that you can have a recreational fire in city limits? That's right, you sure can! Recreational fires should be 50 feet away from any structure or combustible material, and you should have a shovel and water source nearby for emergencies.

Garbage, treated wood, construction debris should <u>NEVER</u> be burned.

And last, but not least, any fire, during any time of the year, should never be left unattended!

## **Fall/Winter Tips**

Fall and Winter months bring lots of changes, not only in the weather, and the beautiful Fall colors, but also in other areas where safety and prevention can be very important. Hopefully these tips will help keep you and our community safe.

Always ensure that you have working fire extinguishers in your home. Did you know that they expire? You should check the expiration date annually to ensure that they are in good working condition and you should replace them or have them serviced when they expire. Generally extinguishers with metal handles can be recharged and ones with plastic handles must be replaced.

Change your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide batteries twice a year! This simple task may be the thing that saves your life when you least expect it!

Practice your at home fire drill.

Do you have a designated meeting spot in case of evacuation? Do you have a way for upstairs family members to escape safely? Did you know they have talking fire detectors to help wake up children who are heavy sleepers?

Daylight Saving Time is Sunday, November 6th, 2022; remember to set your clock back an hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

Fall also means that Schools are back in session and more children will be out and about, crossing streets and waiting for school buses alongside streets and highways; please ensure that you pay extra attention for them and help keep these kiddos safe!





Thank you for taking the time to read these educational tips; we hope that this makes for a safer informed community!

For more home safety resources, please visit our website at: https://ccfd3.org/community-outreach/home-safety

