



## SOUTHERN PLATTE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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### **GUIDELINES FOR RECREATIONAL FIRES** **Section 307 International Fire Code – 2003 Edition**

**Any open fire used for recreational purposes including cooking, camping and “fire watching”, etc. will be considered a recreational fire.**

**In a residential area containing structures, shrubs or other normally flammable materials, the fire shall be no more than three (3) feet in diameter and no more than two (2) feet in height. It shall be no less than twenty-five (25) feet from the structure or flammable shrubbery. A means to extinguish the fire and a watch person must be present at all time to prevent the accidental spread of fire.**

**The area surrounding the fire must be cleared of all leaves, dry grass and any other debris to a width equal to the height of the material being burned.**

**The Fire Department shall be notified of a recreational fire before the fire is started and after the fire is out in order to prevent an unnecessary response, but still be able to, if needed, respond to an emergency.**

**Only natural wood can be used in a recreational fire. No trash, treated lumber, tires, plastic or other air pollutants can be used.**

**Should a smoke problem arise, you are responsible and must address the problem by extinguishing the fire.**

**No fires are allowed when wind conditions create a fire hazard for the surrounding area.**