

Clean air is everybody's business.

# Learn before you BURN



**Responsible burning**  
can minimize its impact  
on **ambient air quality**  
and reduce other risks.

## BURNING FOR HEAT?



### Consider alternatives

Wood smoke increases  
particulate pollution.  
Consider other heating  
sources when possible.

If there are no  
alternatives to  
wood-burning:

### Burn the right wood

Save money and  
time. Burn only dry,  
seasoned wood and  
maintain a hot fire.

### the right way

Keep your home  
safer. Have a certified  
technician install and  
annually service your  
appliance.

### in the right appliance

Make your home  
healthier. Upgrade  
to an efficient,  
EPA-approved  
wood-burning  
appliance.

Information courtesy of [epa.gov/burnwise](http://epa.gov/burnwise)

## BURNING YARD WASTE?



### Get a permit

Call or visit  
your local  
fire station  
for details on  
obtaining the  
proper burn  
permit.

### check conditions

MDAQMD  
issues  
daily burn  
forecasts. Call  
800.472.2376  
or visit  
[mdaqmd.ca.gov](http://mdaqmd.ca.gov).

### and burn carefully

Take all safety  
precautions  
to maintain  
control over  
the burn  
and prevent  
danger.

### Never burn trash or household hazardous waste!

Burning trash and hazardous  
waste is illegal and can cause  
serious danger and damage  
to life and property.

Before ANY kind of burning, check the AQL:

[www.MDAQMD.ca.gov](http://www.MDAQMD.ca.gov)

See illegal or unsafe burning? Call 800.635.4617