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LaGrange Fire Department Reminder **Community Burn Ban Lifted October 1st-April 30th**

LaGrange, Ga. October 1, 2020 – The burn ban for the state of Georgia has been lifted beginning Thursday, October 1st through April 30th.

The LaGrange Fire Department assists residents and business owners apply for a burn permit inside the city limits of LaGrange.

LaGrange Fire Marshal John Thomas wants to remind the community if you plan to conduct an outside burn, you must observe the following requirements:

- Burn only limbs, brush and/or leaves
- Burn only on a clear day with light to no wind. Guidelines will not allow to issue a burn permit if there is low lying clouds or if the wind is too strong.
- Consider the size of your burn pile. If it is 3 feet wide and 2 feet tall or less, make sure you are at least 15 feet from any structure or wood line. If the pile is greater than 3 feet wide and 2 feet tall, it's required to be at least 50 feet from any structure or wood line.

- Always have a water source nearby to extinguish the fire if needed and always attend the burn pile at all times.
- Burn only between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

To apply for a burn permit an LFD representative will come to assess the material, size and location of the burn pile. Weather permitting, LFD could issue a burn permit for that day. The same process will be required each day of the burn. Even if a resident has a burn permit, the burn pile will need to be extinguished if the LaGrange Fire Department receives a complaint for smoke or smell.

To apply for a burn permit call LFD Fire Marshal John Thomas at (706) 883-2659.

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