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Spalding County Emergency Management / Fire Department

1005 Memorial Drive

Griffin, GA 30223

PUBLIC NOTICE: OUTDOOR BURN BAN

To the Residents of Spalding County,

Due to the current weather conditions and the significantly increased risk of wildfire, Spalding County is issuing a **ban on all outdoor burning**, effective immediately and until further notice. Recent periods of low humidity, high winds, and dry vegetation have created conditions in which even small outdoor fires can spread rapidly and become dangerous.

This burn ban applies to:

- Yard debris burning
- Leaf and brush piles
- Bonfires
- Open fire pits without approved spark arrestors
- Any other outdoor burning not specifically permitted by the county or state authorities

Grilling and the use of commercially manufactured outdoor cooking equipment are allowed **only if** they are attended at all times and used safely on non-flammable surfaces.

The purpose of this temporary ban is to protect lives, property, and natural resources. Our fire crews have already responded to an increased number of fires related to these conditions. The current weather conditions creates a heightened risk of fires spreading beyond control. Your cooperation is essential to reduce preventable emergencies during this period.

The yearly statewide Environmental Protection Division burn ban begins on May 1, 2026, and continues until September 30, 2026. It is unlikely outdoor burning will be permitted again until then.

Thank you for your understanding and for helping keep our community safe. If you have any questions, please call 770-228-2129