

Burning ban

Pursuant to Section 5, sub-section 1 of the Regulation no. 1339 of December 10th 2014 (Burning Regulation) a burning ban has been introduced for Bornholm.

The burning ban means that the following are **not** permitted:

Using a coal barbecue

This means: Any form of use of barbecue where the fuel has embers (such as coal, wood, briquettes or other fuel that is capable of producing embers) is not permitted – even on own/private property.

Using a barbecue outside own/private property

This means: Any form of use of barbecue (irrespective of whether the barbecue uses coal, gas, wood, briquettes or other fuel) in public/common areas, e.g. car parks, grassy areas, playing fields, parks etc., or in nature, e.g. in woods and plantations, on beaches, on heaths, in fields etc., on or near lakes (closer than 200 metres from shore) and at sea (closer than 200 metres from shore), is not permitted.

Smoking in nature

This means: Any smoking of pipes, cigarettes, cigars, water pipes and any other form of substance lit by embers, flames etc., e.g. in public/shared areas with grass, plants and other vegetation, e.g. grassy areas, playing fields, parks, verges etc., or e.g. in woods and plantations, on beaches, on heaths, in fields etc., is not permitted.

Lighting fires and using open flames outdoors

This means: Any form of bonfire (irrespective of whether it uses coal, wood, briquettes or other fuel), including burning in a brazier, as well as midsummer bonfires, burning of garden waste, forest waste, other waste, straw, reeds etc., and all outdoor use of ovens, fireplaces, torches, garden flares, candles etc., incl. on and near lakes (closer than 200 metres from shore) and at sea (closer than 200 metres from shore), is not permitted.

Using devices/objects that create sparks, embers or flames outdoors

This means: Any kind of use of weed burners, domestic welding of roofing felt etc. with the use of open flame, domestic outdoor use of angle grinders and other equipment that produces sparks or embers, outdoor use of patio heaters etc. and outdoor use of cookers or heaters etc. that use flammable liquids or substances such as spirits, gas, petrol, sulphur etc. is not permitted. This also applies on and near lakes (closer than 200 metres from shore) and at sea (closer than 200 metres from shore).



Commercial activities

Commercial activities are permitted, as smoking, lighting fires and using weed burners follow the above prohibitions. Especially for commercial work, the company must be certified in hot work, and thereby have the necessary knowledge of fire-fighting equipment.

Furthermore, it is permitted for the defence, the rescue services and the police to carry out training and exercise activities where fire is used. Increased attention must be shown and the possibility of immediate action must be ensured.

Duration of the ban

If conditions change significantly, further announcements will be published on <u>Beredskab, brand, førstehjælp Afbrændingsforbud (brk.dk)</u>. Bornholm's Fire Brigade will continuously assess the development. Citizens are referred to Bornholm Regional Municipality's website for further information and the scope of the ban.

Violation of the ban may result in a fine, cf. section 17 of the burning ordinance.

If you are in doubt as to whether an activity is permitted - avoid it for the sake of fire safety.

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