



## **BAY ST. LOUIS FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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**To:** Mayor Mike Favre

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**Subject:** City Burn Ban

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The City of Bay Saint Louis has issued a burn ban. Please do not burn during this time. With the Corona Virus (COVID-19), Difficulty breathing is one of the many symptoms of this virus. Many citizens of Bay Saint Louis already have underlying medical conditions that smoke may make worse.

Any person who knowingly and willfully violates a burn ban is guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined no less than \$100 and no more than \$500. Section 49-19-351 of MS Code of 1972, as amended.

**Allowed:** Propane/ gas grills, propane/ gas heaters, and charcoal grills are allowed under burn bans. They should be used as described by their manufacturer's instructions, located safely away from combustible materials, and never left unattended. If they are not disposed of properly after use, charcoal grill briquettes are of great concern. After use, always let the coals cool completely and douse in water before disposing of them in a metal container. The residual ash should be cold to the touch before disposal

**Not allowed:** Campfires, bonfires, fire pits, fire rings, burn barrels, debris burning, field burning - anything with an open flame that produces an ember. The wind can carry floating embers away from the original fire and start a spot fire up to one-half mile away from the burning area.

We want to Thank everyone for there cooperation and support while we all try to get through this COVID-19 situation. If there are any questions are concerns, please contact us @ 228.467.4736.

Chief  
Monty Strong