

For more information on the Department of Health Administrative Rules for open burning, or if you are impacted by smoke from someone who is open burning, contact the Clean Air Branch by:

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IS NOT  
ALLOWED**



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## OPEN BURNING

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Open burning is defined as “the burning of any matter in such a manner that the products of combustion resulting from the burning are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through an adequate stack or flare,” by Section 11-60.1-51, Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), Subchapter 3.

Open burning is generally prohibited except for activities such as cooking, fire training, and agricultural burning with a valid permit. Other types of open burning require approval from the department. The rules regulating open burning are Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Section 11-60.1 Subchapter 3.



Violations of open burning rules may result in fines of up to \$10,000 per day for each offense. Owners, operators, or managers of the properties, businesses, or industries where open burning occurs will be held responsible.



## Agricultural Burning

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To burn green waste generated from agricultural operations, legitimate businesses must obtain an Agricultural Burning Permit (AGP) from the Department of Health.

Agricultural burning may be further restricted by government agencies in times of drought, fire hazards, or “NO BURN DAYS”.

## Alternatives to Open Burning

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- Recycle acceptable products at your nearest community collector.
- Compost your yard waste or take it to the nearest refuse convenience center.
- Consider practices that will reduce both excess product and packaging.
- Donate clean used clothes, readable magazines and books, and working appliances.
- Look at your county’s website, or at [www.opala.org](http://www.opala.org), for useful information on recycling, bulky item or green waste pickup and hazardous waste disposal.