



**County of Accomack  
Department of Public Safety**

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**County of Northampton  
Department of Emergency Services**

EMS ~ Emergency Management  
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**Town of Chincoteague  
Department of Emergency Services**

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**Burn Ban in Effect for Eastern Shore of Virginia**

Accomack County, Northampton County, and the Town of Chincoteague have enacted a temporary burn ban.

Fires are more likely during this time due to elevated winds and extreme dry conditions.

Helpful hints during these conditions:

- Do not toss your cigarette or cigars on the ground or from a vehicle. It is dangerous and illegal.
- Adjust your trailer chains so they do not drag the pavement, creating sparks while driving.
- Do not burn anything in barrels during this time.
- Check lawnmowers and farm equipment for properly working spark arresters.
- Be cautious using lawnmowers to mulch leaves as hot bearings and exhaust can easily start a fire.
- Move anything that will burn far away from structures, items like firewood, dry and dead landscaping plants, compost piles, brush piles, etc.
- Notify your electric company when dead trees or overhanging limbs endanger electric wires.

Please contact the Eastern Shore 911 Communications office for questions at 757-787-0911.

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