

Subject: Winter Spare the Air Alert - Friday, January 8

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A Winter Spare the Air Alert has been called for tomorrow, Friday, January 8, in the Bay Area.

The burning of wood and firelogs is banned both indoors and outdoors tomorrow, from midnight to midnight.

Air quality in the Bay Area is forecast to be unhealthy. The use of any and all wood-burning devices including fireplaces, wood stoves and inserts, pellet stoves and outdoor fire-pits is illegal. This wood-burning ban will be in effect for Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, southern Sonoma and southwestern Solano Counties.

Wood smoke is the largest source of wintertime air pollution in the Bay Area. When there is no wind to disperse pollutants from smoke, they become trapped close to the ground and can build up to unhealthy levels, making it difficult for people with asthma and other respiratory conditions to breathe.

For more information about the Wood Burning Rule, or to check before you burn, visit www.sparetheair.org or call 1-877-4-NO-BURN.

This AirAlert is provided by your Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

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