

FRANKLIN COUNTY ORDINANCE 2000- 6

AN ORDINANCE OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA  
IMPOSING A TEMPORARY BAN ON THE SALE AND USE OF  
FIREWORKS, OUTDOOR FIRES AND EXPLOSIVES IN  
FRANKLIN COUNTY BECAUSE OF DROUGHT CONDITIONS;  
IMPOSING A PENALTY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, a severe drought now exists in Franklin County, and

WHEREAS, wild fires have occurred here and throughout the state, and

WHEREAS, open fires, fireworks, and explosives pose a great danger of wildfire during the drought, and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists and the immediate enactment of this ordinance is necessary, now

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY:

1. A drought emergency exists now in Franklin County.
2. The sale and use of all fireworks, sparklers, flares, incendiary devices, explosives, is hereby prohibited in Franklin County during a drought emergency.
3. Open fires and the use of outdoor burning devices are hereby prohibited in Franklin County during a drought emergency.
4. This ordinance shall be deemed filed and shall take effect when a copy has been accepted by the postal authorities of the Government of the United States for special delivery by certified mail to the Department of State of the State of Florida.
5. This ordinance shall not apply to a public fireworks display sponsored or regulated by a fire department of a municipality or fire district of Franklin County, to attended and monitored cooking equipment, or to the air curtain incinerator at the Franklin County landfill.
6. The Director of Franklin County Emergency Management is hereby authorized to declare that a drought emergency exists, and to declare that this drought emergency or any future drought emergency has ceased to exist.
7. A drought emergency declared by the Director of Franklin County Emergency Management shall have the same effect as a drought emergency declared by this Board.
8. A violation of this ordinance shall be prosecuted as a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed 60 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.



THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ADOPTED: May 15, 2000.

BY: Clarence Williams  
CLARENCE WILLIAMS, Chairman

ATTEST:

Kendall Wade  
KENDALL WADE, Clerk  
The seal is circular with a dotted border. The text around the border reads "BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS" at the top and "FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA" at the bottom. In the center of the seal, the word "SEAL" is written in a bold, sans-serif font.