



Open Air Burning By-law 2006-052-FR

Information on the Requirements
for
Open Burning Permits or
Recreational Fires

Open Air Burning Permits

Failure to comply with either the Open Air Burning Permit requirements or Recreational Fire Conditions is a contravention of the by-law.



Open Air Burning Regulations

- Only Clean Wood may be burned. (no petroleum products, plastics, rubber, etc.)
- Fires must be supervised by a competent person at all times until extinguished.



Open Air Burning Regulations

- There must be, in close proximity, adequate means to extinguish the fire.
- A minimum distance of 3 m to combustibles.



Open Air Burning Regulations

- Not permitted when wind speed exceeds 20 kph, when wind direction is changing, or when there is decreased visibility on any highways in the vicinity.



Open Air Burning Regulations

- Prohibited when an Open Air Burning Ban has been declared by the Fire Chief.
- Prohibited during construction within a subdivision or on construction sites.



What Is and What Is Not a Recreational Fire

- “Recreational Fire” shall mean the burning of clean wood products for cooking, heating, enjoyment, religious ceremony or similar purposes. It is limited in size to .75 m. in diameter by .75 m. in height.



Recreational Fire Regulations

- Fires larger than this size must have a Burning Permit. Even though they may be for enjoyment they are not considered “Recreational Fires”.



Recreational Fire Regulations

- Even though NO PERMIT is required for Recreational Fires, they must comply with the conditions of the by-law.



Recreational Fire Regulations

- Recreational fires that emit excessive amounts of smoke or sparks or create a nuisance are not permitted and must be extinguished.



Recreational Fire Regulations

- Fire Chief may at any time require a Recreational Fire be extinguished.
- Resident or occupant must ensure Officers have access at all times during a Recreational fire.



Recreational Fire Size (contained in burning pit)



.75 m (2.5')



Outdoor Fireplaces and Chimineas

- Subject to the conditions of the by-law these devices are permitted for Recreational Fires.



Typical Outdoor Fireplaces



Additional Requirements Outdoor Fireplaces

- Must be equipped with screens on flue and fuel loading area.
- Use must comply with manufacturers guidelines.

