



Open Burn Permit

Applications for open burning must be submitted for consideration by the Fire Chief at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the proposed open fire.

REGULATIONS FOR BONFIRES AND OUTDOOR RUBBISH FIRES

Codified Ordinances of the City of Circleville
Section 1511.05

- A. General: Burning of rubbish shall be prohibited except in approved incinerators. Bonfires may be permitted only under the following conditions and subject to the air pollution provisions of this chapter.
- B. Permit Required: A person shall not kindle or maintain any bonfire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any premises without having obtained a permit or other proper authorization from the Fire Official. All permits shall be requested by and issued to the owner of the land upon which the bonfire is to be kindled.
- C. Location Restricted: A person shall not kindle or maintain any bonfire or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained unless:
 - a. The location is approved by the Fire Official and is not less than fifty feet from any structure and adequate provision is made to prevent fire from spreading to within fifty feet of any structure.
 - b. The fire is contained in an approved burner located safely not less than fifteen feet from the structure.
- D. Bonfire Material: Fuel for bonfires shall consist of seasoned, dry wood and shall be ignited with a small quantity of paper only. Bonfires shall not contain any rubbish, garbage, trash, any material made of or coated with rubber, plastic, leather or petroleum based materials and shall not contain any flammable or combustible liquids. The allowable quantity of wood to be burnt shall be determined by the Fire Official and shall be based upon the fire safety requirements of the situation and desirable duration of burn.
- E. Attendance at Open Fires: Bonfires shall be constantly attended by a competent person until such fire is extinguished. This person shall have fire-extinguishing equipment readily available for use as deemed necessary by the Fire Official.
- F. Prohibited Bonfires: The Fire Official may prohibit any or all bonfires when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous or which are or could be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions. The Fire Official shall order the extinguishments, by the permit holder or the Fire Division, of any bonfire, which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.