



WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP BURN PERMIT

Permit Holders Name: _____ Contact Number: _____

Permit Holders Address: _____

Open Burn Location: _____

PLEASE NOTE: It is not necessary to call the Fire Department on the days you wish to burn.

Open burning shall be conducted in accordance with the regulations listed below. Avoid burning on windy days (Your fire is your responsibility.) If a complaint is received, the Fire department may inspect the fire and request that you present your burn permit. Open burning is a regulated privilege for which noncompliance runs the risk of a municipal civil infraction or misdemeanor conviction.

PERMIT REQUIRED: A burn permit has been obtained and is valid for the property owner or occupant with property owner's permission. Open burning on easements / common areas require special permission by the Fire Marshal or Fire Chief.

ATTENDANCE: Open burning shall be attended constantly by a competent adult until extinguished.

PERMITTED CONTENTS/SIZE:

- Natural material including dry, seasoned tree trunks, branches/limbs
- Sawn, untreated lumber
- Paper/cardboard
- Volume of material shall be limited to 5' diameter circle, not exceeding 5' in height

LOCATION: Open burning shall not occur within 50 feet of a structure or combustible material unless contained within an approved container (noncombustible barrel with a lid or cover to suppress sparks, an outdoor fireplace, or an approved below grade enclosure). Fires in approved containers shall not be located within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material (any material that will ignite and burn), size shall not exceed 2 feet in diameter x 2 feet in height. A below grade enclosure shall be at minimum 12 inches deep, and not exceed 2 feet in diameter.

PROHIBITED OPEN BURNING: Burning that will be offensive/nuisance due to smoke or odor, or when atmospheric conditions make such fires hazardous.

PROHIBITED CONTENTS:

- Treated, painted/finished, or manufactured wood products
- Waste from land clearing processes
- Any material causing offensive odor or smoke production
- Waste material from business operations
- Leaves and ground covering

EXTINGUISHMENT AUTHORITY: When open burning creates or adds to a hazardous situation, becomes a nuisance, or is noncompliant with Township ordinance, a Fire Department Representative is authorized to order the extinguishment of the open burning operation.

FIRE PROTECTION: A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher (4-A) rating, dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck shall be available for immediate utilization to extinguish the open burning operation.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This becomes a valid permit once signed, and dated by the property owner or occupant. **This permit expires twelve months from the signature and date, and is subject to being revoked.**