



HARTLAND DEERFIELD FIRE AUTHORITY

FIRE MARSHALS OFFICE

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Open Burning Guidelines 2021

The following restrictions must be followed: (Guidelines are for Hartland and Deerfield Township Residents)

- 1) Burning Not allowed during windy conditions.
- 2) Must be during daylight hours only.
- 3) Section 307.3 Location (excerpted, 2000 IFC): The location for open burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50ft. of any structure.
Exceptions:
 - A) Fire in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet from a structure.
 - B) The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet where the pile size is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.
- 4) Must be located in a clear area (ground and above).
- 5) Must be attended at all times by a responsible adult.
- 6) Pile must be no larger than 3' (feet) high X 5' (feet) in diameter.
- 7) Smoke must not infringe on your neighbors.
- 8) **Must call 810-632-7676 before burning if burning a pile larger than allowed and to see if a burning ban is in effect.**

You may burn:

- 1) Un-treated wood
- 2) Leaves
- 3) Brush

You may not burn:

- 1) Tires, Plastics, Wood containing glues (Plywood, Particle Board, etc.) or Pressure Treated Wood
- 2) Oil or Accelerants (Gas, Kerosene, Diesel, etc.)

CALL 810-632-7676 BEFORE BURNING: By calling the number, you are only calling to check on the burning conditions. If the phone is not answered, you will be prompted to push extension 1 to check on the burning conditions. You don't have to leave a message. If the message says it is ok to burn, then you may do so as long as the wind does not appear to be a problem in your burning location. IF the message says open burning is **NOT PERMITTED** then **DO NOT START YOUR FIRE.**

If the fire department is called out to your location and open burning is not permitted, then you may be subject to fines associated with that call under the Cost Recovery Ordinance, and you may lose your burning privileges. In addition, if you are found to be burning materials which are not approved, then you may be subject to fines and loss of burning privileges. REMEMBER: By following the guidelines above, you will do your part to ensure that open burning will be permitted for years to come.

YOU ARE STILL RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR FIRE AND DAMAGES IT MAY CAUSE, regardless of the burning conditions for that day.

If you have any questions, or we may be of further assistance, please feel free to contact us at 810-632-7676 Monday-Friday 8am-4pm.

Yours In Fire Safety,
Jenn Whitbeck
Fire Inspector