

Rules Governing Open Burning

Section 307 of the City of Fenton Fire Prevention Code, regulates opening burning.

Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions when atmosphere conditions or local circumstances make such fire hazardous **shall be prohibited**.

The Fire Chief or his designee retains the right to extinguish and/or ban all outdoor fires if conditions are warranted.

Permitted Outdoor Fires

- Recreational fires approximately 2-feet by 3 feet in diameter.
(A recreational fire is one used for pleasure, cooking, warmth, or similar purposes).
- The fire shall be a minimum of 25 feet from any structure.
- The fire shall be constantly attended with approved on-site fire extinguishing equipment.
- Fire burning materials shall consist of dry wood, sticks, or similar materials. Leaves, rubbish, trash, or products that produce flying ashen material is prohibited.
- Pre-manufactured barbeques, fireplaces, chimeneas, or similar approved containers not less than 15 feet from a structure.

Prohibited Outdoor Burning

- The open burning of grass clippings, leaves, or both, is prohibited.
- Bon Fires are prohibited - Unless a permit has been issued by the Fire Department.
- A fire for clearing agriculture, wildlife management practices, or prevention/control of disease or pests is prohibited; unless an appropriate permit has been issued by the Fire Department.
- Charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking devices shall not be operated on combustible balconies or within ten feet of combustible construction.
(Exception: Single Family Dwellings).

Please contact the City of Fenton Fire Department if you have any questions regarding these requirements. Adopted June 11th, 2002.