

BURN PERMITS for Davison Township Residents

Property owners or a person 18 years of age or older has to be in control of the fire, complete and fill out the Burn Permit Application. Permits issued are good for one calendar year, renewable on January 1st. Notification of burn times/dates to the Building Department office is not necessary. Be sure to have possession of the permit when burning.

Davison Township will issue a burn permit only under the following conditions:

Permission will be granted to the property owner(s) and/or permitted person listed to lawfully burn only at the property listed. All burning shall be done in accordance with and under the provisions of Davison Township Ordinance #103-A.

No fire shall be set after the expiration of this permit, and no fire shall be set at a time when high wind is blowing. An adequate fire line shall be made around the area to be burned and force of sufficient personnel to control the fire shall be on hand at the time of burning. Permitted persons shall be liable for all damage to property, which may result from burning done under this permit.

STANDARDS FOR OPEN BURNING

1. No person shall burn garbage, animal carcasses, refuse, trash, rubbish, or burn like material giving off foul or offensive odors, at any time.
2. All fires must be of a manageable size as determined by the Township Building Code Official.
3. Outside burning shall be constantly attended by a competent person until the fire is completely extinguished. (Competent Person 17 years or older. See Section 3-Definitions)
4. Burning shall be during daylight hours only, except for campfires as provided by section 5 (A).
5. No open burning shall be allowed in or on any public road or right of way.
6. No person shall burn plastics, tires, petroleum, or any kind of like products that would emit black smoke, or other objectionable smoke, odors, or particle emissions.
7. No open burning shall be allowed on any property used for commercial purposes or within 50' of any structure.
8. No open burning of construction and/or demolition waste shall be allowed.

PROHIBITED ACTS

1. Disposing of a lighted match, cigarette, cigar, ashes or other flaming or glowing substance, or any other substances or thing that is likely to ignite a forest, brush or grass fire or throw or drop from a moving vehicle any such object or substances.

2. Setting on fire or causing to be set on fire any flammable material without taking reasonable precautions, both before and at all times after lighting the fire, to prevent the fire from spreading.
3. Leaving a fire before it is extinguished.
4. Discharging or causing to be discharged, a gun firing flares, incendiary or tracer bullets or tracer charge onto or across any forest or grassland or structure.
5. The operation of outdoor incinerator devices or structures intended to provide a heating source to an adjacent structure in a residential zone within 300 feet of a habitable structure.

PENALTIES

Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500 and costs of prosecution or by imprisonment in the county jail for up to 90 days or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.