

DELTA TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT
BURNING REGULATIONS: AREAS ZONED RESIDENTIAL
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 2013

RECREATIONAL BURNING: Recreational Burning Requires a Permit

1. Open burning (on the ground) shall *only* be allowed in areas zoned residential or agricultural.
2. Burning barrels are NOT allowed in areas zoned residential.
3. Only recreational fires are allowed in areas zoned residential. The material to be burned shall consist of natural firewood ONLY. No construction materials, yard waste, brush, leaves, rubbish, etc. may be burned at any time.
4. Permits are issued annually and expire on December 31st of the calendar year for which it is obtained.
5. The burning permit shall only be issued to the homeowner and/or resident of the property.
6. Recreational burning permits are valid from sunrise to 11:00 PM.
7. There shall be no burning within 25 feet of any structure or combustible material.
8. The burning area must be at least 5 feet within your property line.
9. The burning area may not exceed three feet in diameter and two feet in height.
10. The burning area shall be *constantly* attended by an individual over the age of 18 years old and knowledgeable in the use of fire extinguishing equipment. The attendant shall supervise the fire until it has been extinguished. A source of water must be near the fire.
11. You shall not use any petroleum products to start the fire or keep it going.
12. The smoke from the fire must not be offensive to your neighbors.
13. The Fire Chief and/or his/her authorized representative have the authority to discontinue the permit if the smoke creates a nuisance or hazardous condition.
14. The Fire Chief and/or his/her authorized representative reserve the right to enter the premises to ensure proper compliance to the Burning Rules and Regulations.
15. The resident is responsible to provide the burning permit for inspection and/or surrender upon request.

Persons found to be in violation of the Burning Rules & Regulations shall be subject to a citation. No warning shall be issued. Fines for violating the Delta Township Burning Ordinance are as follows:

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| 1. | First offense: | \$ 50.00 |
| 2. | Second offense: | \$125.00 |
| 3. | Third offense: | \$250.00 |
| 4. | Fourth offense: | \$400.00 |