

REGULATION OF OPEN BURNING AND RECREATIONAL FIRES

From section 307 of the 2006 International Fire Code

Approved Portable Fire Containers

- For a fire in an approved portable containers, the minimum required distance to the nearest structure shall be15 feet.
- Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 15 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

Masonry Fire Pits (BUILDING PERMIT REQUIRED)

- For a fire in an approved masonry fire pit, the minimum required distance to the nearest structure shall be 25 feet where the pit size is 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height.
- Additional setbacks are required for Zoning and easements.
- The wood shall not be piled higher than the top of the pit.
- Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

Open Burning (USE PERMIT REQUIRED)

- A permit is required for every open burning or recreational fires not contained in either a approved portable container or an approved masonry fire pit.
- Open burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure or combustible material.
- Provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet of any structure (including portable fire extinguishers).