Hamilton Township Safe Burning Tips

A fire permit or open air fire may be cancelled by the Fire Chief or his/her designate at any time.

Every person who starts or causes to be started, a fire out of doors shall adhere to the following requirements

- The fire must be attended at all times
- The fire must be fully extinguished before leaving the site
- The person in charge of the burning operation conducted under the permit shall produce and show the permit to any officer whenever requested by that officer
- Day burning between the hours of 8am and 6pm from April 1 to October 31 must be authorized by the chief fire official or designate
- The material pile to be burned shall not exceed 2 cubic metres, and shall be kept a safe distance from any combustibles, structures or buildings (>5 metres), unless otherwise approved by the Fire Chief or his/her designate
- The permittee shall have at the location of the fire, sufficient persons and fire-fighting equipment in serviceable condition.
- No burning shall be conducted in windy conditions, burn during the coolest, dampest, calmest times and conditions. Avoid burning in hot dry conditions.
- Burning toxic materials or incinerating garbage is prohibited. Toxic material includes items such as plastics, tires, shingles, chemicals, combustible liquids, etc.
- Smoke from burning near or by roadways/highways shall not impede the visibility of the roadway/highway

Regulations for Fireworks

Fireworks pose a danger to those discharging them and those in the immediate area. Please follow safety precautions as listed in the manufactures' directions. Maintain fire suppression equipment in the area in the event that there is a fire.

Environmental Protection Act

All burning within the Township of Hamilton must conform to the Environmental Protection Act.

Personal Information contained on this form is collected under the Authority of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, section 210 and will be used for the purpose of identification, enforcement or administration. Questions should be directed to the Township of Hamilton Fire Department of the Township of Hamilton Office.

Release and Indemnity

In Consideration of the Granting of the open air burning permit approval by the Chief Fire Official or Designate, I hereby release and forever discharge and agree to indemnify and save harmless the Township of Hamilton, it's fire department, it's servants and agents from any and all actions, cause of action claims and demands for damages, loss or injury to persons or property sustained by any person or persons in consequence of open air burning to be held on the above noted permit date or such other approved dates, issued in the Township of Hamilton, Ontario said burning being the subject matter of the above application.

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Did you know that the County of Northumberland offers free brush and yard waste pick-up from April to December? For further information on this free program please see the Northumberland County Waste and Recycling calendar, visit northumberlandcounty.ca or call 1-866-293-8379

For Information on open air burning visit us at www.hamiltontownship.ca RESIDENTIAL SERVICES/FIRE DEPARTMENT/Burning By-Law 2014-19 or by calling 905-342-2810 ext 137