

BOROUGH OF QUARRYVILLE

POLICY OF OPEN BURNING AND REGULATED FIRES WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY

Recognizing that there exists, from time-to-time, a need for citizens of the Borough to dispose of certain waste and rubbish by burning, and trying to provide a sensible method to afford people the privilege, the Borough hereby adopts this Policy of Open Burning.

**DEFINITION:** Open Burning - Any fire, the contaminants from which are emitted directly into the outdoor atmosphere and not directed thereto through a flue.

**PERMITTED ACTS OF OPEN BURNING**

1. Open Burning is permitted between the hours of sunup and sundown.
2. Open Burning is permitted after sundown if the fire is for recreational and/or ceremonial purposes or if the fire is for cooking.
3. Open Burning of normal household waste paper, twigs, leaves, sticks, etc., is permitted.
4. Open Burning is permitted as long as there exists a visible flame.
5. Open Burning is permitted as long as the fire is within a confined area on the property of whose land is performing the burning.

**PROHIBITED ACTS OF BURNING**

1. No deliberate burning of anything on or inside the right-of-way of any public street, or roadway.
2. No burning of anything when the emissions are visible to the point that they are blowing outside the property of the person on whose land the burning is being conducted.
3. No malodorous contaminants that are detectable outside the property of the person on whose land the burning is being conducted.
4. No Open Burning may interfere with the reasonable enjoyment of life or property, or cause damage to vegetation or property, or be deleterious to human or animal health.
5. No Open Burning will be allowed to smolder or burn itself out. When the obvious purpose of the fire is complete, the fire must be put out with water, or smothered with dirt.
6. No Open Burning shall be left unattended.
7. The use of accelerates (gasoline, diesel fuel, tires, kerosene, etc.) is prohibited.