

# Charter Township of Lyon

## Residential Open/Recreational Burn Guidelines

**ONLY BRUSH AND SEASONED WOOD MAY BE BURNED.**  
**LEAVES, CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL, AND TREATED WOOD ARE**  
**NOT PERMITTED.**

**ALL OPEN BURNING SHALL BE EXTINGUISHED BEFORE SUNSET.**  
**RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRES SHALL BE EXTINGUISHED BY MIDNIGHT.**

Size of area being burned shall not exceed 3 ft x 3 ft x 3 ft.

Bonfires and yard brush shall be 50 feet away from any structure.

Recreational campfire shall be 25 feet away from any structure.

Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be 15 feet away from any structure (including decks, sheds, vehicles, etc.)

- \* Have a garden hose or approved fire extinguisher or other form of water source on site before you ignite.
- \* **DO NOT USE GASOLINE TO START FIRE.**
- \* If the wind speed is 10 miles per hour or above you shall not burn, and extinguish any lit fires.
- \* No burning in a driveway or within 15 feet of a roadway.
- \* No burning shall take place under any type of overhead obstructions (wires, branches, etc..).
- \* When completed, flood the area with water or cover with earth.

**The guidelines are in accordance with the International Fire Code 2012 and are subject to said code.**

**IFC 307.1.1** *Open burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fire hazardous.*

**IFC 307.2** *A permit shall be obtained from the fire code official in accordance with section 105.6 prior to kindling a fire for recognized silvicultural or range or wildlife management, prevention or control of disease or pests, or a **bonfire**.*

**I have read and agree to the above terms. I also agree to hold harmless and reimburse the Charter Township of Lyon for all costs and expenses incurred should it be necessary for any Public Safety Department to be called out in connection with such fire(s) where a violation is found. I also agree that such burning will be done in accordance with the International Fire Prevention Code that governs the issuance of such permits. Failure to comply may, upon conviction, be assessed a fine of not more than \$500.00, or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both.**

If you have any questions or concerns regarding open burning, please feel free to call Fire Station 1 @ 248-486-3775 Monday – Thursday 8:30 am to 5 pm, or Friday 8 am to 4 pm.