



# COTTLEVILLE

## FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

### Requirements for Open Burning

1. Burn Permits may be issued for the following:
  - a) Burning leaves, brush and vegetation.
    1. Only Allowed outside of incorporated area
    2. Only allowed between September 16<sup>th</sup> and April 14<sup>th</sup> and only between 10:00am and 4:00pm
    3. Size of fire area cannot exceed 16 square feet.
  - b) Bonfires
    1. The bonfire shall not be more than five (5) feet tall by five (5) feet wide by five (5) feet long in dimension and shall not burn longer than three (3) hours.
    2. Fuel for the bonfire shall consist only of seasoned dry firewood and shall be ignited with a small quantity of paper. The fire shall not be used for waste disposal purposes, and the fuel shall be chosen to minimize the generation of air contaminants.
2. Recreational fires- An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet (914 mm) or less in diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.
  - a) The fire shall not be used for waste disposal purposes.
  - b) Fire exceeding the above dimensions will be classified as a bonfire.
3. Burning vegetation at land clearing operations requires a Department of Natural Resources ACD Permit.
  - a) A copy of the DNR permit/letter is required to be submitted to this office prior to beginning any burning.
4. Burning household refuse is NOT allowed.
5. Burning trade waste, burning tires, and salvage operations by open burning is NOT allowed.
6. Agricultural burning (pest control, crop management)
  - a. Between September 16 and April 14<sup>th</sup> is not regulated.
  - b. Between April 15 and September 15<sup>th</sup> person must notify DNR (in writing) 48 hours prior to burn: DNC can delay burn if ozone is high.
  - c. Land clearing operations associated with crop production will need a DNR permit. ACD may be required, based on population density.
    1. A copy of the DNR Permit/Letter is required to be submitted to this office prior to beginning any burning.
7. The location for any open burning shall not be less than fifty (50) feet from any structure, and provision shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within fifty (50) feet of any structure.

8. Any open burning shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. At least one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4-A rating, two portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 2-A rating each, or other approved on-site fire extinguishing material/equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.
9. The Burn Permit, if approved, is only valid for a period of fifteen (15) days.
10. The Fire Marshal's office shall inspect all open burn sites that are required to obtain a permit through this department prior to ignition, and twenty-four (24) hours' notice is required to schedule an inspection.
  - a. Inspection hours are Monday through Friday (excluding holidays) between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm.
11. The Fire District shall be notified on the day of the burn prior to ignition of the fire
12. IF a permit is approved, the open burning shall comply with all the requirements addressed herein, and also with any City, County, State and Federal Rules and Regulations that may apply.
13. Should the stipulations of this permit be violated or if a complaint, nuisance situation or other hazardous, or potentially hazardous situation be created by this open burning, the Cottleville Fire Protection District or the Department of Natural Resources may revoke this permit in accordance with 10 CSR 10-5.070 "Open Burning Restriction:", and or 10 CSR 3.030.