



## **Open Burning**

**IFC 302.1 Open Burning Definition:** The burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. Open burning does not include road flares, smudgepots and similar devices associated with safety or occupational use typically considered open flames or recreational fires. For the purpose of this definition, a chamber shall be regarded as enclosed when, during the time combustion occurs, only apertures, ducts, stacks, flues or chimneys necessary to provide combustion air and permit the escape of exhaust gas are open.

Open burning of rubbish is prohibited.

Open burning shall only be performed when time and atmospheric conditions allow.

Open burning shall not be conducted within 50 feet of any structure or combustible material. Conditions that could cause the fire to spread shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

## **Bonfire**

**IFC 302.1 Bonfire Definition:** An outdoor fire utilized for ceremonial purposes.

A bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet of a structure or combustible materials.

## **Attendance**

**IFC 307.5 Attendance.** Open burning, bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

## **Discontinuance**

The Fire Chief or his designee shall be authorized to require that the use of the appliance(s) be immediately discontinued if determined that the smoke emissions are offensive to occupants of surrounding properties, if local air quality is being adversely affected, or if the fire itself constitutes a hazardous condition.

**The applicant may be liable for damages to property and for the cost of fire suppression in the event that the fire allowed under this permit spreads beyond the boundaries of the permitted area.**