BACKYARD BURNING RULES

PROHIBITED

- Garbage / Furniture
- Tires / Rubber
- Plastics / Recyclables
- Waste Oil
- Asphalt Materials
- Asbestos
- Painted / Treated Wood
- Chemically Treated Pallets (stamped with "MB")
- Plywood and Other Manufactured Wood Products

WHY NOT BURN?

Burning trash and debris is illegal and releases many harmful pollutants including:

Dioxin – causes cancer, birth defects, and enters the food chain.

Hexachlorobenzene –persistent toxin that enters the food chain and is a probable carcinogen.

Formaldehyde – causes burning in eyes and throat, nausea, and difficult breathing.

Hydrogen Chloride Gas – causes fluid buildup in the lungs and possible ulceration of the respiratory tract.

Particulates – causes respiratory infection.

Carbon Monoxide – prevents oxygen from being absorbed by the heart and lungs.

OKAY

- Natural wood—timber, logs, boles, trunks, branches, limbs, and lumber that has not been chemically treated with any preservative, paint, or oil-based product.
- Clean Wood Pallets
- Brush



QUESTIONS?

Please contact your local fire warden prior to burning for a permit. (802) 274-2850 smokeeaterc1@gmail.com. Feel free to contact the Vermont DEC Air Quality and Climate Division at (802) 828-1288 with any questions or concerns.

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