Recreational Burning Guidelines

Open burning shall be allowed for recreational purposes without a permit, subject to the following guidelines:

1. Recreational fires shall meet the requirements of Section 307 of the 2015 Minnesota State Fire Code.

2. Recreational fires shall not be used for disposal of yard waste, construction materials, common household trash or refuse. Fuel for recreational fires shall only be aged, dry firewood.

3. Recreational fires shall not be allowed if winds exceed seven miles per hour.

4. Recreational fires shall be constantly attended by the resident or designated adult until the fire is completely extinguished. A garden hose or other adequate means of extinguishment shall be available within 15 feet of the fire for emergency purposes.

5. When prohibited by action of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, recreational fires shall not be permitted.

6. Recreational fires shall be extinguished no later than 11:00 p.m.

7. Recreational fires shall not pose a dangerous condition. At the discretion of a public safety official, any recreational fire not adhering to the above regulations and/or that poses a dangerous condition shall be considered a public nuisance and shall be immediately extinguished. Any person or persons who fail to comply with these conditions shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor.