



## OPEN BURNING/BONFIRE REQUIREMENTS

*Please note: this is only meant as a guideline and does not cover every situation. Any discrepancies between this guideline and the International Fire Code 2003 will be defaulted to the latter. If you have any questions, please feel*

**Only Yard Waste: Grass clippings, leaves, tree trimmings of any kind may be burnt under the following requirements.**

**Burning is not permitted in streets, right-of-ways, or easements where infrastructure may be damaged, where it might be objectionable by other citizens or during adverse weather conditions (including, but not limited to, dry or windy conditions)**

Fires less than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height do not require a permit or inspection. However, they must still comply with the codes. A fire extinguisher or hose must be present, it must be constantly attended until extinguished, and it must be a minimum of 25 feet from any structure.

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Fires greater than 3 feet in diameter and/or 2 feet in height require a permit from and an inspection by the fire department.

Fires must be located not less than 50 feet from any structure and provisions must be made to prevent fire from spreading within 50 feet of any structure.

Fires must be constantly attended until extinguished, and a fire extinguisher (minimum 4-A in size) or an equivalent means approved by the inspector must be readily available.

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Bonfires must meet the same requirements as other forms of open burning and will require permit.

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Permits may be obtained at the Neosho Fire Department, 125 N. College St. Neosho, Missouri 64850, during normal business hours Monday through Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

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### **Unattended fires will be extinguished!**

There may be certain circumstances that have special requirements. Before burning, please Contact the Neosho Fire Department at 451-8021