

VILLAGE OF CROOKSVILLE



BY THE ORDER OF THE
MAYOR AND FIRE DEPARTMENT



OPEN BURNING POLICY

ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF CROOKSVILLE, IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL TO BURN ANYTHING OUTDOORS UNLESS IT IS FOR THE PURPOSE OF COOKING FOOD AND WITH THE PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS. THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES SHALL BE USED TO DEFINE THE RULES UNDER WHICH COOKING FIRES MAY BE BURNED.

1. The fire must be free of garbage, leaves, trash, refuse, grass, weeds, rubber, paper, cardboard, plastics, pine tree limbs or cuttings, tar paper, shingles, treated wood, painted wood, tree trimmings with leaves, skids made of wood or plastic clothing or cloth, spray paint cans, or trash of any kind. Skids may be used only if they are taken apart and are made of untreated lumber.
2. The fire must be at least 20' away from any structure.
3. No flammable liquids of any kind shall be used to start the fire with the exception of charcoal lighter fluid which may only be used to start wood burning.
4. Firewood should be cut into lengths no longer than 3' in length.
5. The fire area may not be larger than four (4) feet in diameter, nor may it be higher than three (3) feet.
6. The location must be inspected by either the fire department or police department prior to its being set afire.
7. Open burning for other purposes such as silvicultural or wildlife management, control of diseases or pests, or ceremonial purposes may be obtained from the same village officials, but will require notification to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
8. All persons wishing to have such a cook-out must obtain a burning permit signed by the mayor or an officer of the police or fire department prior to the event. The permit must also be signed by the inspecting official.

VIOLATIONS OF THE ABOVE RULES SHALL RESULT IN PROSECUTION UNDER OHIO REVISED CODE 1503.18, OHIO REVISED CODE 3745.19 AND CROOKSVILLE VILLAGE ORDINANCE 2087 RESULTING IN A FINE OF UP TO \$ 100.00.