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WHERE COMMUNITY AND SPIRIT MEET®

Storage of wood:

City of Kirkwood Ordinance 16-2 (q);
Lumber shall be stacked a minimum of
12” (twelve) off of the ground



Open Burning,
Recreational Fire and
Portable Outdoor Fire
Places



From the Office of the Assistant Chief/ Fire Marshal

Open Burning, Recreational Fire and Portable Outdoor Fire Places

Section 307 of the 2009 International Fire code addresses these issues.

307.1 General Any person shall not kindle or maintain or authorize to be kindled or maintained any open burning unless conducted and approved in accordance with this section.

307.1.1 Prohibited open burning. Open burning that is offensive or objectionable because of smoke emissions or when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited.

307.2.1 Authorization. Where required by state or local law or regulations, open burning shall only be permitted with prior approval from the state or local air and water quality management authority, provided that all conditions specified in the authorization are followed

307.3 Extinguishment Authority. The Fire Code Official is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder, another person responsible or the fire department of open burning that creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

307.4 Location. The location for open burning shall not be less than 50 feet (15 240 mm) from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet (15 240mm) of any structure.

Exception:

1) Fires in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet (4572mm) of any structure. *This would be the Lowes or Home Depot Fire Pits or the stone built fire pits.*



307.4.1 Bonfire. A bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet (15 240mm) of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 50 feet (15 240mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

307.4.2 Recreational fires. Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet (7620mm) if a structure or combustible material.

Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet (7620mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

Bonfire and Recreational Fire shall be by permit only, which shall be by permit only obtained from the Fire Marshal's Office.

307.4.3 Portable outdoor fireplaces. Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet (3048 mm) of a structure or combustible material.

Exception: Portable outdoor fireplaces used at one- and two – family dwellings.

307.5 Attendance. Open burning; bonfires, recreational fires and use of portable outdoor fireplaces 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.

All material burned shall be dry seasoned wood. No yard waste construction material or any items other than dry seasoned wood.