Town of
Kernersville
Fire Rescue Department

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Subject: Open Burning/Recreational Fires/Illegal Burning

The Town of Kernersville has an Ordinance regulating outdoor burning. Below is a summary of what is and is **not** allowed.

What is allowed?

Recreational fires (not contained within a portable outdoor fireplace) that are burning approved materials (untreated wood/artificial fire logs) that has a total fuel area of 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in height. Fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material. Recreational fires are typically used for heat/warmth or cooking but may simply be for pleasure.

Portable Outdoor Fireplaces are typically constructed of steel, clay or other noncombustible materials and may or may not have a chimney. Portable outdoor fireplaces are to be used per the manufacturer's instructions. Portable outdoor fireplaces at apartments are not to be operated within 15 feet of a structure or combustible material. _One and two family dwellings (houses and duplexes) do not have a required separation distance by the code in regards to portable outdoor fireplaces._

What is not allowed?

• Burning of any garbage, trash, rubbish, building materials, treated lumber, furniture or   anything other than retail type artificial fire logs or wood from trees is not allowed.
• Burning of grass or yard clippings, leaves, trimmed tree products that involve a large amount of leaves or other material that is collected by the Town is not allowed by County ordinance and Environmental Assistance and Protection regulations.
• Large piles of material from land clearing in open burning situations without a permit.
• Open burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous.

If you have questions about a fire or need assistance, contact the Fire Marshal's Office.

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