



OFFICE OF FIRE ADMINISTRATION

Matthew T. Ryan, Mayor

Chapter 235, Fire Prevention and Protection

§ 235-12. Open Burning and Bonfires [Amended 7/09]

- A. No person shall burn or cause to be burned or aid or assist in the burning of any material for any purpose, other than those listed in Subsection B below, in any street, lot or parcel of land (either public or private), within the City of Binghamton limits.
- B. Exceptions to Subsection A are as follows:
- (1) Residential Outdoor cooking. Open burning is permitted for residential outdoor cooking when the fire is limited to the minimal size necessary and contained in a device designed for that purpose. Fuel for residential outdoor cooking is limited to charcoal, LP gas, natural gas, or seasoned or flavored wood chips commercially sold for the purpose of barbecues. Outdoor cooking of any kind is prohibited on balconies, covered porches and covered patios in any multiple dwelling homes.
 - (2) Recreational. Open burning for recreational purposes (bonfires) shall be permitted only for organization-sponsored events and restricted to those meeting all of the requirements of the Fire Marshal's Office. No fire shall be ignited prior to the issuance of an "Open Burning Operating Permit" from the Fire Marshal's Office.
 - (3) Commercial. Open burning for commercial purposes in the City of Binghamton shall be permitted only upon obtaining an "Open Burning Operating Permit" from the Fire Marshal's Office. No fire shall be ignited prior to the issuance of an "Open Burning Operating Permit" from the Fire Marshal's Office. "Commercial purposes" shall not include activities with a Pushcart Permit.
 - (4) Fires set by the Fire Bureau for the instruction and training of firefighting personnel or for the elimination of a fire hazard.