

**Chapter 8.32
Open Burning**

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No person shall burn any material outdoors upon any public street, alley or highway or on any publicly or privately owned property within the Village of Oakfield, with the following exceptions:

A. Cooking fires using clean wood, charcoal, or cooking fuel which are contained in a device made of metal, concrete, brick, masonry or stone specifically designed for the cooking of food by heat, steam or smoke are allowed.

B. Small open flames for welding, for acetylene torches, from safety flares, for heating tar, or similar applications are allowed.

C. Fires set for practice by, or instruction of, fire fighters or for testing of firefighting equipment under the direction of the fire department are allowed.

D. Recreational fires:

1. Recreational fires using charcoal or clean, seasoned, untreated and unpainted wood contained in a fire pit dug into the ground to a depth of at least six (6) inches with a diameter of no more than 3 feet surrounded by a noncombustible material such as metal, concrete, brick, masonry or stone are allowed.

2. Commercially designed portable fire pits are also allowed when placed on a non-combustible, stable surface.

3. No in-ground recreational fire pit shall be closer than fifteen (15) feet from any building, structure, shed, garage, fence or combustible material and shall not be closer than five (5) feet from any tree, shrub, bush, or property line.

4. No leaves, paper, cardboard, rubbish or other material shall be burned in recreational fires.

5. All recreational fires shall be attended at all times by at least one responsible person eighteen (18) years of age or older from ignition until the fire is completely extinguished.

6. Adequate fire suppression equipment shall be immediately available to control or extinguish the recreational fire.

7. No fires are allowed between the hours of 12 midnight and 8 am.

E. A special burning permit may be issued by the Village of Oakfield Fire Department for other types of fires. Fees and conditions will be stated on the permit.

8.32.20 Penalty.

Any person found guilty of a violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to the penalties found in Chapter 1.20, General Penalty, of the Village of Oakfield Municipal Code.