



BY-LAW 2024-25

BEING A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF
OPEN-AIR BURNING AND CAMPFIRES

WHEREAS Section 7.1 of the *Fire Prevention and Protection Act, S.O. 1997* as amended provides that the Council may pass bylaws regulating the setting of open-air fires, including establishing the times which open-air fires may be set; and,

AND WHEREAS the *Fire Prevention and Protection Act, S.O. 1997* provides that the Chief Fire Official or Designate is required to approve open-air burning and appropriate fire safety provisions; and,

AND WHEREAS Section 130 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001* provides that the Council may regulate matters related to the health, safety and well being of the inhabitants of the municipality; and,

AND WHEREAS Section 129 of the *Municipal Act S.O. 2001* provides that the Council can prohibit and regulate matters that it deems to be a public nuisance; and,

AND WHEREAS Section 391 of the *Municipal Act S.O. 2001* provides that municipalities may pass bylaws imposing fee or charges on any class of Persons for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of it; and,

AND WHEREAS Section 427 of the *Municipal Act, S.O. 2001* provides that where the Council has the authority to direct or require by bylaw or otherwise that any matter or thing be done, the council may, by bylaw direct that, in default of its being done by the Person directed or required to do it, such matter or thing shall be done at the Person's expense and the Corporation may recover expenses incurred in doing it by adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting them in the same manner as taxes;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

1.1 "-Adverse Effects" means smoke that hinders one's health to family and/or pets in such a manner that causes one of the following issues to neighbor(s): breathing difficulties, changes in heart function, irritate the eyes, nose, throat or cause nauseating effects or fire that would cause damage to the property of others

1.2 "Adverse Wind Conditions" means excess wind or gusts that will blow embers outside of the burn pit area that is deemed likely to cause spread or start new fire outside of designated burn area.

1.3 "Approved" means approved by Chief Fire Official or Designate.

1.4 "Brush Fire" means a fire set for the purpose of burning brush, grass vegetation or leaf type material only.

1.5 "Burn Barrel" means a steel container similar in construction to a 45-gallon drum and with a volume no greater than that of a 45-gallon drum and is equipped with a spark arrestor or covered by a metal wire mesh with grid openings no larger than 5 millimetres.

1.5 "Burn Permit" means a burn permit which is issued by the Township in accordance with this Bylaw authorizing specific types of open-air burning. (i.e., brush and clean wood products).

1.6 "Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means a Person duly appointed by the Township of Billings Council to enforce its municipal bylaws.

1.7 "Campfire" means a fire set for cooking or warmth, approved by Chief Fire official or Designate, that is no greater than 66 centimetres in diameter and no more than 1 metre high; does not include barbeques.

1.8 "Charcoal Barbeque" means a device used for outdoor cooking in which the heat is provided from below, using charcoal or charcoal briquettes.

1.9 "Chief Fire Official" means the Fire Chief as defined in the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act S.O.1997*, who is appointed by the Township Council to oversee the operations of the Billings Volunteer Fire Dept. (BVFD)

1.10 "Competent Person" means a person that is aware of and understands the safe operating procedures and hazards associated with the operation of a campfire, open-air fire, charcoal barbeque, wood fired devices, deep fryers/boilers and fireworks.

1.11 "Council" means the Council of the Township of Billings.

1.12 "Deck" means a combustible surface area attached to a structure.

1.13 "Designate" means the CAO/Clerk, Deputy Clerk or the Deputy Chief Fire Official.

1.14 "Fire Ban" means one of the following types of bans:

1.14.1 "Municipal, Total Fire Ban" means a fire ban that is issued by the Township Fire Chief or Designate under the authority of the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act S.O 1997*, which bans the use of campfires, the use of open-air fires, the use of fireworks, the use of burn barrels, the use of incinerators, the use of a chiminea

1.14.2 "Municipal, Partial Fire Ban" means a fire ban that is issued by the Township Fire Chief or Designate, under the authority of the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act S.O 1997*, which allows the use of campfires.

1.14.3 "Provincial Fire Ban" means a Ministerial order or an order from Office of the Provincial Fire Marshall that prohibits the lighting of fires in geographical areas or regions of their own discretion.

1.15 "Fire Department" means the Township of Billings Volunteer Fire Department.

1.16 "Fire Hazard Rating" means a rating system utilized by the Chief Fire Official or Designate to assess the possibility that any fire is safe or dangerous to light. The rating system is rated as Low, Moderate, High or Extreme.

1.17 "Fire Season" means the period of time from the 1st day of April through to the 31st day of October in each year or as determined by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR).

1.18 "Flying Lantern" means a small hot air balloon or other device that is used to carry an open flame which is fuelled by petroleum or wax based fuel. Also known as Sky Lantern, Chinese Lantern, Kongming Lantern or Wish Lantern.

1.19 "Incinerator" means a completely self-contained high temperature furnace, equipped with a spark arrestor, that is used to burn branches, clean wood products or wood by-products to ash.

1.20 "Township Property" means property owned or controlled by the Township of Billings

1.21 "Officer" means a person appointed by Council to enforce the Township bylaws or a Member of the O.P.P.

1.22 "Open-Air Fire" means a fire that is set for the purpose of disposing clean wood, wood by-products, brush or leaf products that is not greater than 2 metres in diameter and no more than 2 metres high. An Open-Air Fire does not include a campfire set for the purpose of cooking.

1.23 "Open-Flame Propane Deep Fryer/Boiling Unit" means an open flame outdoor cooking device that can be used for deep frying or boiling purposes.

- 1.24 "Person" means an individual, association, firm, partnership or corporation.
- 1.25 "Registered Owner" means the Person(s) whose name appears on deed for the property.
- 1.26 "Spark Arrestor" means a device which prevents the release of flammable debris from wood burning devices such as woodstoves, wood fired ovens, wood fired/pellet smokers, wood fired saunas, burn barrels, chimineas
- 1.27 "Township" means the Corporation of the Township of Billings.
- 1.28 "Township Property" means public land owned by the Township which includes, but is not limited to, park areas, green belt areas, public beach areas
- 1.28 "Wood-Fired Device" means, but is not limited to the following devices, woodstoves, wood fired ovens, wood fired/pellet smokers and wood fired saunas.

2.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR CAMPFIRES

- 2.1 No Person shall set a Campfire within 8 metres of any structure or combustible object.
- 2.2 No Person shall set a campfire if the adverse wind conditions or in conditions that may cause a decrease in visibility on any highway.
- 2.3 No Person shall set a campfire that causes the rapid spread of fire through grass, brush, forested area or where property is not intended to be burned.
- 2.4 No Person shall set a campfire causes an adverse condition that impacts on other Person(s) or property.
- 2.5 No Person shall set a campfire and burn household garbage, construction materials, materials made of or containing rubber, plastic, paint, tar, chemical wastes, pressure treated wood, synthetic or man-made materials or any other materials that create excessive smoke or odour.
- 2.6 No Person shall set a campfire shall unless there is a competent person to be in charge/control of the fire.
- 2.7 No Person shall set a campfire without having a method of controlling or extinguishing the fire readily available.
- 2.8 No Person shall set a campfire on a highway or asphalt surface.
- 2.9 No person shall set a campfire on any Township Property unless prior arrangements have been made with the Chief Fire Official or Designate or the CAO/Clerk.
- 2.10 No person shall leave a burning campfire unattended at any time.
- 2.11 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes an Adverse Effects on another Person(s) or their property.
- 2.12 No Person shall set a Campfire during a Municipal Fire Ban.
- 2.13 No Person shall set a campfire during a Provincial Fire Ban
- 2.14 No Person shall set a Campfire in a Restricted Fire Zone.

3.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR OPEN-AIR BURNING

- 3.1 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during the Fire Season unless an approved Burn Permit is obtained from the Township and that the Burn Permit identifies the Person authorized to perform the burn, the location of the burn, the date of the burn and the material to be burned.
- 3.2 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire within 8 metres of any structure or combustible object.
- 3.3 No Person shall permit an Open-Air Fire unless the burn is supervised by a Competent Person.
- 3.4 No person shall leave a lit Open-Air Fire unattended at any time
- 3.5 No Person shall permit an Open-Air Fire unless extinguishing and fire control tools must be readily available.
- 3.6 No Person shall set an Open-Air fire in a location that is not accessible by emergency vehicles.
- 3.7 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire and burn household garbage, construction materials, materials made of or containing rubber, plastic, paint, tar, chemical wastes,

pressure treated wood, synthetic or man-made materials or any other materials that create excessive smoke or odour.

3.8 No person shall set an Open-Air Fire on a highway or asphalt surface.

3.9 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire in Adverse Wind Conditions or in conditions that cause a decrease in visibility on a highway.

3.10 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes the rapid spread of fire through grass, brush, forested area or on property that is not intended to be burned.

3.11 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes an Adverse Effects on another Person(s) or their property.

3.12 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during a Municipal Fire Ban.

3.13 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during a Provincial Fire Ban

3.14 No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire in a Restricted Fire Zone.

3.15 The Chief Fire Official or Designate may, in extenuating circumstances for major projects or ceremonial activities not previously considered, authorize in writing to a Person, to burn under conditions other than those listed in section 3.2.

4.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR OPERATING CHARCOAL BARBEQUES DURING A FIRE BAN

4.1 No person shall operate a Charcoal Barbeque within 8 metres from any forest or bush area.

4.2 No person shall operate a Charcoal Barbeque within 5 metres from any flammable materials or structure.

4.3 No person shall operate a Charcoal Barbeque unless it is manufactured of non-flammable materials and enclosed on all sides with an appropriate Spark Arrestor.

4.4 No person shall operate a Charcoal Barbeque unless there are fire extinguishing devices available.

4.5 A Charcoal Barbeque shall only be operated by a Competent Person.

4.6 No person shall leave a lit Charcoal Barbeque unattended.

4.7 No Person operating a Charcoal Barbeque shall dispose of coals or ashes unless they are completely extinguished.

5.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR OPERATING WOOD-FIRED DEVICES DURING A FIRE BAN

5.1 No Person shall operate a Wood Fired Device within 8 metres away from any forest or bush area.

5.2 No Person shall operate a Wood Fired Device within 5 metres from any flammable materials or structure.

5.3 No person shall operate a Wood Fired Device unless it is situated on a non-flammable surface.

5.4 No Person shall operate a Wood Fired Device unless the device is equipped with the necessary Spark Arrestors, vents or chimneys.

5.5 No Person using a Wood Fired Device shall burn household garbage, construction materials, materials made of or containing rubber, plastic, paint, tar, chemical wastes, pressure treated wood, synthetic or man-made materials or any other materials that create excessive smoke or odour.

5.6 A Wood Fired Device shall only be operated by a Competent Person.

5.7 No Person shall operate a Wood Fired Device unless there are fire extinguishing devices available.

5.8 No Person operating a Wood Fired Device shall dispose of coals or ashes unless they are completely extinguished.

5.9 No Person shall leave a lit Wood Fired Device unattended.

6.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR OPERATING OPEN-FLAME PROPANE DEEP FRYERS/BOILERS DURING A FIRE BAN

6.1 No Person shall operate an Open-Flame Deep Fryer/Boiler within 5 metres from any forest or bush area.

6.2 No Person shall operate an Open-Flame Deep Fryer/Boiler within 3 metres from any flammable materials or structure.

- 6.3 No Person shall operate an Open-Flame Deep Fryer/Boiler within unless it is situated on a non-flammable surface.
- 6.4 No Person shall operate an Open-Flame Deep Fryer/Boiler without having fire extinguishing devices available.
- 6.5 No Person shall leave an Open-Flame Deep Fryer/Boiler unattended.
- 6.6 Open-Flame Deep Fryers/Boilers shall only be operated by a Competent Person.

7.0 PROHIBITIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE USE/IGNITION OF FIREWORKS AND FLYING LANTERNS DURING A FIRE BAN

- 7.1 No Person shall use/ignite Flying Lanterns.
- 7.2 Fireworks shall only be used/ignited by a Competent Person.
- 7.3 No Person shall use/ignite Fireworks during a Municipal Fire Ban.
- 7.4 No Person shall use/ignite Fireworks during a Provincial Fire Ban.
- 7.5. No Person shall use/ignite Fireworks in a restricted Fire Zone.

Note: The Township may grant permission upon request under the conditions that a professionally licensed or insured Person is responsible for the setting of the fireworks. All authorizations will be approved under the guidance of the CAO/Clerk or Chief Fire Official. No Person shall use or set off fireworks during a Fire Ban or Restriction without authorization.

8.0 Use of Burn Barrels and Incinerators During a Fire Ban

- 8.1 No Person shall use a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator for the purposes of burning within the Township unless the Burn Barrel or Incinerator is being used in an area designated as Agricultural (A), Rural (R) or Shoreline Residential (SR) as per Billings Township Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw.
- 8.2 No Person shall operate a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator during a Municipal Fire Ban.
- 8.3 No person shall operate a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator within 5 metres from any forest or bush area.
- 8.4 No person shall operate a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator within 3 metres from any flammable materials or structure.
- 8.5 No person shall operate a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator unless it is manufactured of non-flammable materials and enclosed on all sides and equipped with an appropriate Spark Arrestor.
- 8.6 No person shall operate a Burn Barrel unless there are fire extinguishing devices available.
- 8.7 A Burn Barrel or Incinerator shall only be operated by a Competent Person.
- 8.8 No person shall leave a lit Burn Barrel or Incinerator unattended.
- 8.9 No Person operating a Burn Barrel or an Incinerator shall dispose of coals or ashes unless they are completely extinguished.

9.0 EXEMPTIONS

- 9.1 Propane and natural gas barbeques or propane heating devices are exempt.
- 9.2 Any fires under the direct supervision of the Township Fire Department for training or demonstration purposes are exempt.
- 9.3 The Township may grant permission upon request under the conditions that a professionally licensed or insured Person is responsible for the setting of the fireworks. All authorizations will be approved under the guidance of the CAO/Clerk and Chief Fire Official. No Person shall use or set off fireworks during a Fire Ban or Restriction without authorization.

10.0 ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES

- 10.1 This Bylaw shall be enforced by the Township Bylaw Enforcement Officer, The Chief Fire Officer or Designate who are designated by Council or by an officer of the O.P.P.
- 10.2 Any Person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided by the *Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, chapter P.33* as amended. (See Schedule "A").

10.3 No Person shall hinder or obstruct or attempt to hinder or obstruct an Officer, Fire Chief and or their Designates who is exercising a power or performing a duty under this Bylaw.

10.4 The Township reserves the right to recover the costs associated with the extinguishment of a fire which has been set in contravention of the provisions of this Bylaw. These costs will be above any set fines and at a rate set by the Township.

10.5 The fees associated for fire extinguishment will be applied to the Property Owners Tax Roll if the fee is not paid in an agreed upon time frame that has been arranged with the Treasurer.

11.0 ISSUING AND RESCINDING FIRE BANS

11.1 Municipal Fire Bans and Partial Fire Bans shall be issued at the discretion of the Township Fire Chief or their Designate in consultation with the CAO/Clerk.

11.2 Municipal Fire Bans and Partial Fire Bans shall be removed at the discretion of the Township Fire Chief or their Designate in consultation with the CAO/Clerk.

12.0 ISSUING/REVOCAION OF BURN PERMITS

12.1 Any Person applying for a Burn Permit must do so in Person at the Township office or on the Township website.

12.2 The Person applying must provide identification and complete all questions on the Burn Permit Application.

12.3 The Burn Permit Application will be reviewed and approved or denied within 3 working days, by the Chief Fire Official or Designate, dependant on any restrictions, accuracy of information provided or other extenuating circumstances.

12.4 The issued Burn Permit will only be valid for the date(s) indicated on the Permit.

12.5 The Chief Fire Official or designate has the authority to revoke a Burn Permit at any time if it is determined that the holder of the Burn Permit is not complying by the provisions of this Bylaw or if changes occur regarding Fire Hazard Rating, Municipal Fire Ban or Restricted Fire Zone directives.

12.6 Burn Permits are non-transferable.

13.0 SEVERABILITY

13.1 If any provision or part of this Bylaw is declared by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or inoperative, in whole or in part in particular circumstances, the balance of the bylaw or its application in other circumstances, shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

14.0 ADMINISTRATION

14.1 This By-law repeals Township of Billings Bylaw 2020-16.

14.2 This By-law shall be enforced within the boundaries of Billings Township.

14.3 This By-law will come into effect upon the final passing thereof.

READ a FIRST and SECOND TIME this 2nd day of April, 2024

READ a THIRD TIME and FINALLY PASSED this 2nd day of April, 2024



Bryan Barker, Mayor



Emily Dance, CAO/Clerk

Schedule 'A' to By-Law No. 2024-25

Part 1 Provincial Offenses Act

BY-LAW 2024-25: Being a bylaw to provide for the regulation of open-air burning and precautions to be taken while burning

Item	Short Form Wording	Provision creating or defining offence	Set Fine
1	Set Camp Fire within 8 metres of structures	2.1	\$500.00
2	Set Camp Fire in adverse wind conditions	2.2	\$500.00
3	Set fire that causes spread of fire onto adjacent property.	2.3	\$500.00
4	Set Camp Fire that affects other property	2.4	\$500.00
5	Burn unauthorized materials	2.5	\$500.00
6	Set fire without Competent Person present	2.6	\$500.00
7	Fire control tools or extinguisher not available	2.7	\$500.00
8	Set fire on highway or asphalt surface	2.8	\$500.00
9	Set fire on Township property without permission	2.9	\$500.00
10	Leave burning campfire unattended	2.10	\$700.00
11	Set fire causing adverse effects	2.11	\$500.00
12	Set campfire during Municipal Fire Ban	2.12	\$700.00
13	Set a fire during Provincial Fire Ban	2.13	\$700.00
14	Set a fire in a Restricted Fire Zone	2.14	\$700.00
15	Set Open-Air Fire without a Permit	3.1	\$500.00
16	Set Open-Air fire with 8 metres of a structure	3.2	\$500.00
17	Set fire without Competent Person present	3.3	\$500.00
18	Leave open-air fire unattended	3.6	\$700.00
19	Fire control tools or extinguisher not available	3.7	\$500.00
20	Set Fire in inaccessible are by emergency vehicles.	3.8	\$500.00
21	Burn unauthorized materials	3.7	\$500.00
22	Set open fire on highway or asphalt surface	3.8	\$500.00
23	Set fire that reduces highway visibility	3.9	\$500.00
24	Set Open-Air Fire that spreads to forested or grassy area	3.10	\$700.00
25	Set Open-Air Fire that spreads to other property	3.11	\$700.00
26	Set Open Air Fire during Municipal Fire Ban	3.12	\$700.00
27	Set Open Air Fire during Provincial Fire Ban	3.13	\$700.00
28	Set Open Air Fire in Restricted Fire Zone	3.14	
29	Operate Charcoal BBQ within 8 metres from bush/forest area during a Fire Ban	4.1	\$500.00
30	Operate Charcoal BBQ within 5 metres of flammable materials during a Fire Ban	4.2	\$500.00
31	Operate non-conforming Charcoal BBQ during a Fire Ban	4.3	\$500.00
32	Operate a Charcoal BBQ without fire extinguishing devices present during a Fire Ban	4.4	\$500.00
33	Operate a Charcoal BBQ without a Competent Person present	4.5	\$500.00
34	Leave Charcoal BBQ unattended during a Fire Ban	4.6	\$500.00
35	Improper disposal of hot charcoal coals and ashes.	4.7	\$500.00
36	Operate Wood Fired Device within 8 metres of a bush/forest area during a Fire Ban	5.1	\$500.00
37	Operate a Wood Fired Device within 5 metres of flammable materials or structure during a Fire Ban	5.2	\$500.00

38	Operate Wood Fired Device on a flammable surface during a Fire Ban	5.3	\$500.00
39	Operate a Wood Fired Device without Spark Arrestors, vents or chimneys during a Fire Ban	5.4	\$500.00
40	Burn unauthorized materials	5.5	\$500.00
41	Operate Wood Fired Device without Competent Person present	5.6	\$500.00
42	Operate Wood Fired Device without fire extinguisher devices available during a Fire Ban	5.7	\$500.00
43	Improper disposal of hot coals and ashes	5.8	\$500.00
44	Leave Wood Burning Device unattended	5.9	\$500.00
45	Operate Propane Deep Fryer/Boilers within 8 metres of bush/forest area during a Fire Ban	6.1	\$500.00
46	Operate Propane Deep Fryer/Boiler within 5 metres of flammable materials during a Fire Ban	6.2	\$500.00
47	Operate Propane Deep Fryer/Boiler on a flammable surface during a Fire Ban	6.3	\$500.00
48	Operate Propane Deep Fryer/Boiler without fire extinguishing devices available during a Fire Ban	6.4	\$500.00
49	Leave Wood Burning Device unattended	6.5	\$500.00
50	Operate Propane Deep Fryer/Boiler without Competent Person present	6.6	\$500.00
51	Use/ignite Flying Lantern	7.1	\$700.00
52	Use/ignite Fireworks without a competent person	7.2	\$700.00
53	Use/ignite Fireworks without fire extinguisher extinguishing devices available	7.3	\$500.00
54	Use/ignite Fireworks during a Municipal Fire Ban	7.4	\$700.00
55	Use/ignite Fireworks during a Provincial Fire Ban	7.5	\$700.00
56	Use/ignite Fireworks in a Restricted Fire Zone	7.6	\$700.00
57	Use Burn Barrel in an undesignated use zone	8.1	\$500.00
58	Operate a Burn Barrel or Incinerator during a Municipal Fire Ban	8.2	\$700.00
59	Operate Burn Barrel or Incinerator within 8 metres of bush/forest area.	8.3	\$500.00
60	Operate Burn Barrel or Incinerator within 5 metres of flammable materials	8.4	\$500.00
61	Operate unapproved Burn Barrel or Incinerator	8.5	\$500.00
62	Operate Burn Barrel or Incinerator without fire extinguisher devices available.	8.6	\$500.00
63	Operate Burn Barrel or Incinerator without Competent Person present.	8.7	\$500.00
64	Leave Burn Barrel or Incinerator unattended	8.8	\$500.00
65	Improper disposal of hot ashes.	8.9	\$500.00
66	Hinder or Obstruct Officer exercising their enforcement duties.	10.3	\$500.00

Note: The penalty provision for the offences indicated above is section 10.2 of this Bylaw No. 2024-25 of which a certified copy has been filed.

Note: Costs associated with extinguishing a fire caused by a contravention of this Bylaw will be recovered by the Township as per section 10.4 and 10.5 of this Bylaw No. 2024-25



Township of Billings
Open-Air Fire Burning Permit
(Front Side)

Daily Permit for Open-Air Fires

Permit Number: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: (H) _____ (C) _____

BURN DATE: _____ (valid for one week from this date)

BURN TIME: _____

LOCATION: _____

Note: Burn site must be accessible by emergency vehicles.

MATERIAL TO BE BURNT: _____

EXTINGUISHMENT: _____
(Describe equipment available, which shall include water and shovel)

The applicant agrees to comply with the provisions of By-law 2020-16 and agrees to assume responsibility for any damages and costs incurred resulting from the fire that this permit is issued.

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT)

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE OF ISSUING OFFICIAL)

Open Air Burning Provisions

- a) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during the Fire Season unless an approved Burn Permit is obtained from the Township and that the Burn Permit identifies the Person authorized to perform the burn, the location of the burn, the date of the burn and the material to be burned.
- b) No person will be issued a Burn Permit without acknowledging that they have reviewed and understand the provisions associated with having an Open-Air Fire.
- c) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire within 8 metres of any structure or combustible object.
- d) No Person shall permit an Open-Air Fire unless the burn is supervised by a Competent Person.
- e) No person shall leave an Open-Air Fire unattended.
- f) No person shall set an open-air fire that is greater than 2 metres in diameter and no more than 2 metres high.
- g) No Person shall permit an Open-Air Fire unless extinguishing and fire control tools must be readily available.
- h) No Person shall set an Open-Air fire in a location that is not accessible by emergency vehicles.
- i) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire and burn household garbage, construction materials, materials made of or containing rubber, plastic, paint, tar, chemical wastes, pressure treated wood, synthetic or man-made materials or any other materials that create excessive smoke or odour.
- j) No person shall set an Open-Air Fire on a highway or asphalt surface.
- k) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes a decrease in visibility on a highway.
- l) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes the rapid spread of fire through grass, brush, forested area or on property that is not intended to be burned.
- m) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire that causes an adverse effect on another Person(s) or their property.
- n) No Person shall light an Open-Air fire in Adverse Wind Conditions.
- o) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during a Municipal Fire Ban.
- p) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire during a Provincial Fire Ban
- q) No Person shall set an Open-Air Fire in a Restricted Fire Zone.
- r) The Chief Fire Official or Designate may, in extenuating circumstances for major projects or ceremonial activities not previously considered, authorize in writing to a Person, to burn under conditions other than those listed in section 3.2.
- s) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3 hereof, the Chief Fire Official may, upon application, approve the setting of any fire subject to the fire being supervised by the Fire Chief or his/her designate.
- t) The Chief Fire Official may implement a Municipal Fire Ban for the Township when he/she sees fit. This ban will be called a "Municipal Fire Ban". No person shall set a fire of any size during a Municipal Fire Ban. The MNR retains the right to restrict all fires thorough Restricted Fire Zone Orders (RFZO).
- u) All persons setting an open-air fire in the Municipality shall:
 - Be responsible for any damage to property or injury to persons occasioned by the said fire;
 - Be liable for costs incurred by the fire department, including personnel, equipment and apparatus necessary and called in to extinguish the said fire.
- v) Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a set fine as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33

The inclusion of my name signifies that I have read and understand the provisions and responsibilities associated with having an open-air fire.

Name: _____