

CAMPFIRE PERMIT REGULATIONS

SCOPE: This document details the City of Allentown regulations on a specific type of outdoor burning. Campfires require a permit and inspection before lighting. The fire may be in an approved open container or on the ground. A maximum of one (1) burning permit is allowed per month, per property, unless authorized by the Fire Chief. Burn time is limited to three (3) hours unless authorized by the Fire Chief. The regulations below must be followed. For contained fires, such as outdoor fireplaces or chimineas, use the "Container Fire" document.

1. Location of the fire to be a minimum of 25 feet from any structure.
2. Campfires must be kept to campfire-type size. Per Code, the maximum pile diameter shall be three (3) feet and the maximum pile height shall be two (2) feet.
3. Flammable liquids shall not be used to ignite fire. Tinder to be paper and light wood.
4. Dry wood only shall be used. No garbage, rubbish, trash, rubber, plastic, leather or petroleum based material shall be used.
5. The person to whom authorization was granted, or their representative, shall remain until the fire is totally extinguished.
6. Dry grass must be removed from the burn area or properly protected from ignition, such as by wetting down.
7. Provide a method for fire extinguishment such as a water hose.
8. Ignition of the fire may proceed after a Permit has been granted and inspection by a Fire Official.
9. The Fire Official has the authority to cancel the fire under adverse conditions such as heavy winds or dry conditions.
10. Notify the Department of Fire Prevention of any changes that may occur. If no one is available at the Office of Fire Prevention (610-437-7758), call the Central Fire Station (610-437-7747) or the Allentown Communications Center (610-437-7751).

RECREATIONAL FIRE PERMIT APPLICATION

Name of Sponsoring Organization: _____

Address of Sponsoring Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

If the sponsor of the fire is not the owner, you must have permission to use the property.

Owner of Property where the fire will be held: _____

Address of Owner: _____

Person granting permission: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Event: _____ Start Time: _____ End Time: _____

Exact location of Event: (deed address or street address, along with location on the property)

Name of person in charge of the Event: _____

Phone: _____

Cost of Permit: \$30.00
 Make checks payable to "City of Allentown".

It is important to notify the Fire Prevention Office of the exact time the fire is to be lighted and to schedule a pre-inspection of the site.

Permit contingent upon compliance with all Recreational Fire Regulations

Office Use Only

Permit Number: _____

Amount Received: _____

Date Received: _____

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