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Household Burning Ordinance

16-3 RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITION OF OPEN BURNING. No person shall kindle any open fire or authorize any open fire to be kindled or maintained on public or private property except as specifically permitted in this Chapter. All open burning is prohibited at commercial and industrial sites and on multiple family residential properties.

16-3.1 Open Burning of Household Waste Materials. The open burning of household waste materials on single family residential properties is permitted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays, under the following conditions:

- (A) Burning shall be in a household outdoor burning container as defined under Definitions. *Household outdoor burning container* is a container constructed of steel, brick or masonry no larger than two feet in width and no more than five (5) feet in height with proper venting at the bottom and equipped with a screen or spark arrestor constructed of iron, heavy wire mesh or other noncombustible material with openings of not more than three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$ ") of an inch.
- (B) No fire shall be lit or maintained within fifteen (15) feet of any building, structure, fence or other flammable material.
- (C) Until fully extinguished, the fire shall at all times be supervised by a competent adult.
- (D) Materials to be burned shall include only paper products, wood products and/or brush that will burn rapidly and not result in a smoldering fire.
- (E) No substance or waste matter shall be burned which discharges a dangerous or poisonous gas, ash or smoke.

16-3.2 Leaf Burning Prohibited. The burning of leaves is prohibited.

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