

White Lake Fire Authority
115 S BALDWIN ST

WHITEHALL, MI 49461
OFFC 231-893-6503

Open Burning Permit Application

Date of Application: _____ / _____ / _____

Applicant Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Cell Phone: _____ - _____ - _____

E-mail Address: _____

I am the above listed applicant and property owner. I hereby request a permit to open burn at the above location following the rules and regulations as set fourth by the White Lake Fire Authority.

Issued permits may be suspended or revoked by any fire department personnel due to violations, safety concerns, nuisances or if a fire creates an offensive or objectional situation due to smoke, weather condition, or if circumstances makes fires hazardous. The property owner is liable for any fire spread, fire damages, violations of the fire code or violations of the the 2011 Open Burning rules and regulations.

The fire code official or any fire department personnel have the authority to order the extinguishment of any fire at any time.

I have received a copy of the 2011 White Lake Fire Authority Open Burning Rules and Regulations. In addition, I have read and understand the document and shall comply with the rules and regulations as specified. I also understand that there may be additional requirements set fourth by the State of Michigan.

Property Owner(s) Signature

Date

FOR DEPARTMENT USE ONLY	
Date Issued:	_____
Permit #:	_____
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_____ Fire Marshal	

White Lake Fire Authority Open Burning Rules & Regulations

Obtaining an Open Burning Permit:

- An application shall be completed by the property owner and turned into the White Lake Fire Authority during business hours Monday through Friday.
- Environmental and weather conditions will partially dictate if the White Lake Fire Authority will approve or deny the application for open burning.
- If approved a permit number will be issued for the duration as specified on the permit.
- Please call the White Lake Fire Authority if you have any questions? (231)893-6503

Rules:

- The applicant is legally and financially responsible for all fires that get out of control.
- No burning in or within 1400 feet of an incorporated city or village.
- No burning within 300 feet of another occupied dwelling or 50 feet from any structure.
- Provisions shall be made to prevent the spread of fire to within 50 feet of any structure.
- No burning in any subdivision that contains 20 or more dwellings.
- All fires shall be constantly attended and be put out before dark.
- An extinguishing source shall be available for immediate utilization at all times.
- Extinguish fire if winds or gusts exceed 15 miles per hour.

The permit covers only clean brush and branches under 4" in diameter. Materials that shall **NOT** be burned at any time include the following: leaves, grass, stumps, construction items, garbage, household waste, synthetic or man-made materials. If anyone complains about the smoke or ashes, the fire shall be extinguished. Fires that create an offensive or objectionable situation due to size or changing weather conditions the fire shall be immediately extinguished.

The permit shall only be issued to the owner of the land. A property owner shall not burn solid waste, other than the approved materials, from the owner's own household upon the owner's own land.

Recreational Fires:

Open Burning may be done without a permit for recreational purposes, such as campfires and fires used for cooking food, provided no smoke violation, nuisance or hazard is created.

Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition. The size of recreational fires shall not exceed 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height. Recreational fires shall be constantly attended until extinguished.

If a recreational fire creates an offensive or objectionable situation because of smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited.

The fire code official or any fire department personnel are authorized to order the extinguishment of any permitted or recreational fire which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

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