



West Deptford Township
Bureau of Fire Prevention
Fire Safety Tips



Open Burning Prohibited

With the arrival of autumn, residents are reminded that open burning of any kind is strictly prohibited. Open burning includes, but not be limited to the burning of yard waste, leaves, brush, vines, evergreen needles, branches smaller than two (2) inches in diameter, treated or untreated lumber and rubbish. Open burning is dangerous and a violation of NJ Uniform Fire Code and Township Ordinance.

Recreational Fires

Recreational fires are permitted under certain conditions and with constant supervision. The rules for recreational fires are set forth in Township Code Chapter 116 Open Burning. Law enforcement or the fire department may order the extinguishment of any fire. Whenever a law enforcement officer or the fire department requires the extinguishment of any open burning, there is no appeal process and failure to extinguish the fire as ordered may result in arrest and/or severe monetary penalties.

To view the requirements for recreational fires click the link below:

<https://clerkshq.com//Content/WestDeptford-nj/books/code/WDEPTFORDc116.htm>

