



BIRCH HILLS COUNTY POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL

POLICY TITLE: Burn Policy

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PURPOSE:

To identify the conditions and limitations for use of Recreational Fire Pits and Permanent Stationary Barbeques within the Hamlets of Birch Hills County

POLICY

The Birch Hills County Fire Protection By-Law prohibits open air burning within the municipal boundary of Birch Hills County.

This policy does not apply to propane or gas fired barbeques.

Burning of clean wood fuel may be allowed in properly designed, constructed and located Recreational Fire Pits or Stationary Barbeques subject to the following conditions:

1. Only clean fuel such as seasoned wood or charcoal briquettes are to be burned. Burning of grass clippings, yard waste, construction debris, or garbage is strictly prohibited due to the offensive odour they create.
2. The burn pit/barbeque is to be located at least 10 feet (3.05 Meters) from any combustibles (buildings, fences, overhead wires, etc.)
3. The burn pit/barbeque shall be located on a non-combustible base such as concrete or mineral soil. Top soil may contain organic materials that will allow fire to escape underneath the fire pit.
4. The burn pit/barbeque shall have non-combustible sides such as steel, concrete or masonry.
5. Excessive over fuelling of the fire pit is prohibited.

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