

# TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPT., INC.

SEYMOUR  
WASHINGTON

UNION  
PLEASANT VALLEY

BRUNSWICK  
CLEAR CREEK

**BURNING IS PROHIBITED UNLESS A PERMIT HAS BEEN ISSUED BY  
TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC.\***

**Burning permits may be obtained by calling 834-6868**

**Monday through Friday 4:30 PM until 8:00 PM**

**Saturday 8:00 AM until 8:00 PM**

**BURNING HOURS** with a burning permit and wind speed of 10 miles per hour or less:

6:00 PM to Midnight – Monday through Friday

8:00 AM to Midnight – Saturday

**NO BURNING ON SUNDAYS, HOLIDAYS OR DURING CLOSED BURNING PERIODS. AN ADULT MUST BE IN ATTENDANCE OF THE FIRE UNTIL IT IS COMPLETELY OUT!**

**Materials That May Be Burned** (open burning or in a barrel) — Dry leaves, brush, clean wood and other vegetative debris are the only items that may be burned. **Burning garbage is prohibited.**

**Burning Barrels** — Burning is allowed in a burn barrel during the listed burning hours provided the wind speed is below 10 miles per hour, without a burning permit when the burn barrel has vent openings less than ½ inch and the top is covered by a ½ inch or less wire mesh. **Annual burn barrel permits are required in Seymour and Washington**

**Open Burning** — Burning permits are required for all open burning, year round. All burning shall be conducted only on the property on which the materials were generated. All piles of materials to be burned shall be sized appropriately so that the fire will be completely out by midnight.

**Cooking, Recreational & Campfires** — A burning permit is not required for cooking, recreational and campfires, provided the wind speed is below 10 miles per hour. These fires must be less than 5' in diameter, the wood used in a campfire shall be sized appropriately for a small camp fire, and the fire shall be confined by a control device or structure such as a barrel, fire ring or fire pit.

**Burning Bans** — All forms of outdoor burning are prohibited during a burning ban. Burning on commercial properties is prohibited without special approval from the DNR (air quality management) and the Fire Chief. All outdoor burning is prohibited when the DNR issues an Ozone alert for this area.

**Attendance of Fires** — Open burning and burning in a barrel shall be constantly attended and supervised by a competent person of at least eighteen (18) years of age until the fire is extinguished and is cold.

**Liability** — Any person who starts or uses an outdoor fire shall be liable for all fire suppression costs if the fire is in violation of this ordinance or it endangers property not covered by the permit or persons. Fines for violating these regulations shall be a forfeiture of not less than \$100 or more than \$300 plus court costs.

## **CLOSED BURNING PERIODS:**

Township Fire Department, Inc. may prohibit all burning during prolonged dry periods or when other conditions make burning hazardous. Watch for these announcements.

## **ATTENTION LANDLORDS:**

Property owners are responsible for compliance with these rules by their tenants.

A copy of the burning regulations in its entirety is available from your Town office or Township Fire Department.

**IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL 834-1253 OR 911**