



City of Virginia Beach

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU
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BUILDING 21
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VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23456-9065

Applicant Name _____	Date _____	Permit # _____
Location of Site _____		
Inspector Name _____	Inspector Number _____	
Permit Date Range _____		
Time: In _____	Out _____	Approved? Yes ___ No ___ (see Comments)

Stipulations for Agricultural Open Burning

- The applicant shall be responsible for informing all employees or anyone working at the burn site of all conditions, requirements and restrictions imposed by this office.
- Material being burned shall be limited to natural vegetation, and agricultural waste. Other materials are not permitted to be burned.
- Piles shall be limited to a maximum size of 15' in diameter and 8' height, this will be dependent upon several factors including: wind conditions, equipment on site, availability of an adequate water supply, materials being burned, and state department of forestry restrictions for that period. Any burning that is larger than 15' w x 8' H or poses a high fire risk due to the before mention factors will be required to be burned in a pit with a proper air curtain destructor.
- Land clearing, logging, or deforesting an area will require a pit burn.
- A 10' fire break shall be created around all piles.
- Adequate heavy equipment and trained operators must be available during burning operations to effectively extinguish the fire upon the order of the Fire Marshal. Other means of extinguishment may also be required depending on the size, material, and duration of the burn.

- Open Burning will only conducted during the daytime hours 6:00 AM and 10:00 PM. No additional fuel will be added to the fire after 6:00 PM to allow the fire to self-extinguish. Open burning may be conducted seven days a week unless complaints warrant the restriction to Monday through Friday. All open burning is subject to Virginia State burn laws: February 15 - April 30, during this period the 4PM Burn Law is in effect. This stipulates that all burning activities may only take place between the hours of 4pm-midnight. There may be days where burning is completely prohibited due to weather conditions
 - Open burning is prohibited if winds are greater than 15 miles per hour.
 - Open burning must be completely extinguished prior to site being left unattended.
 - Twenty-four hour contact phone number shall be made available to the Fire Marshal for after hours contact pertaining to complaints.
 - Any responses by fire department personnel for valid complaints may result in a charge for services to property owner.
 - The Fire Prevention Bureau must be notified each day that burning is done. Weekend notification must be done by the close of business on Friday afternoon.
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| Fire Prevention Bureau | 757-385-4228 M-F 8am-5pm |
| After Hours | 757-385-5000 |
- A sign stating "CONTROLLED BURNING IN PROGRESS" shall be posted and highly visible to the public during the pit burning operation. The sign size shall be 4' X 8' in contrasting colors and shall the lettering shall be 12" in height.

Assistant Fire Marshal _____ Date _____

Property Owner _____ Date _____

Comments
