

The following items have been excerpted from the City of Kawartha Lakes Open Air Burn bylaw. You can read the bylaw in its entirety by clicking on the following link: [CoKL Open Air Burn Bylaw](#).

**A BY-LAW TO REGULATE TIMES DURING WHICH FIRES MAY BE SET IN THE OPEN AIR, THE PRECAUTIONS TO BE OBSERVED BY PERSONS SETTING FIRES AND FOR THE SETTING OF FEES FOR FIRE PERMITS IN THE CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES**

- 3.01 **No Permit Required:** A person may have an open air fire without obtaining a permit provided all of the conditions below are met, and/or providing no other city-wide or provincial burn bans are in effect:
- (i) the fire area is no larger than 60 cm ( 24") in diameter;
  - (ii) the fire area is supervised at all times by an adult person;
  - (iii) the fire area is used to cook food on a grill or barbecue
  - (iv) the fire area is used for personal warmth;
  - (v) the fire area is within an approved area or pit designed for said use;
  - (vi) the fire area does not violate any other laws, by-laws, rules or regulations including rules or regulations passed by any competent authority or otherwise set out in this by-law;
  - (vii) the fire area shall be a minimum of five (5) meters from any building or other structures and 5 meters from any fences, trees brush piles or combustible materials.

**4.00: Burn Restrictions**

- 4.01 No person shall burn in "burn barrels" unless the burn barrel meets the design attached in Schedule "D" to this by-law, complete with ¼" screen top.
- 4.02 No person shall burn grass clippings, or leaves.
- 4.03 No person shall burn in a factory built outdoor fireplace that does not meet the requirements as set out in this by-law.
- 4.04 No person shall set a fire within the City of Kawartha Lakes while a burn ban is imposed for any reason other than for the sole purpose of heating and/or cooking and only when no other means of heating and/or cooking are available. The fire shall be extinguished as soon as the fire is no longer required and it cannot exceed 60cm ( 24") in size.
- 4.05 No person shall burn material other than wood or wood by-products within the City of Kawartha Lakes.
- 4.06 No person shall burn pressure treated wood.