

## Open-Air Fires

20. (1) Open-air fires shall not be permitted in the front yard (front yard as defined by the Zoning Bylaw 763/2000);
- (2) Open-air fires shall not be set unless the following measures are taken to limit their spread:
  - (a) fires shall be contained in a non-combustible receptacle constructed of cement, brick or sheet metal with a minimum 18-gauge thickness;
  - (b) a receptacle shall be covered with a heavy gauge screen with openings not exceeding 13 millimetres; and
  - (c) the size of the fire box of any receptacle shall not exceed 0.61 metres.
- (3) The fuel for open-air fires shall consist only of charcoal or cut, seasoned wood. The burning of the following material is prohibited:
  - (a) rubbish;
  - (b) garden refuse;
  - (c) manure;
  - (d) livestock or animal carcasses; and
  - (e) any material which when burned will generate black smoke or an offensive odour including insulation from electrical wiring or equipment, asphalt roofing materials, hydrocarbons, plastics, rubber materials, creosoted wood or any similar material.
- (4) Open-air fires shall be reasonably supervised so as to prevent their spread.
- (5) Open-air fires shall be adequately ventilated to ensure proper combustion and to prevent an unreasonable accumulation of smoke.
- (6) Open-air fires shall not be set in windy conditions conducive to creating a running fire or a nuisance to another person.
- (7) If smoke from an open-air fire causes an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property, the fire shall be extinguished immediately.
- (8) The Department may issue a "Permit" to a person to set an open-air fire as part of a block party, community event or similar special function or celebration. In this event, the Department may waive any requirements of this Section with respect to the permitted open-air fire, but the permittee shall comply with all other requirements of this Section and any other conditions attached to the Permit by the Department.
- (9) If due to excessive flames and/or smoke of any residential open-air fire pit, a call is placed to the local fire department and firemen are dispersed, the owner of the fire pit shall be assessed a fine in accordance with Schedule "B".