



# Burn Permit Rules and Requirements

## Corinth, Lake Dallas, and Hickory Creek

1. Open burning or approved burn containers can only occur 300ft (90 meters) from any building. If you want to burn closer to your own building/home it is ok, but it cannot be closer than 200ft (61 meters). If you want to burn closer to a neighbor, you will need written permission prior to requesting a burn permit and can only be a minimum of 200ft (61 meters). You may also need to adjust the size of the burn pile.
2. There is no burning in platted neighborhoods and subdivisions even if you meet the 300ft (90 meter) parameter and or with written consent from neighbors.
3. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
4. You must also provide a continuous water source capable of reaching and extinguishing the burn pile.
5. If the LCFD receives calls on any type of outdoor burning, the LCFD may require you to extinguish the burn pile or container, if you do not meet the parameter requirements, you do not have a current burn permit, or if at any time the burning is a nuisance. (excludes outdoor cooking)
6. If a burn permit is issued, you are only allowed to burn natural vegetation and not for disposal. You shall not burn garbage, treated or untreated lumber, cardboard boxes, packaging (including plastics and rubber), clothing, tires, non-wood construction debris, furniture, carpet, electrical wire, appliances or any other item(s) that is not natural vegetation.
7. Burn pits and grilling pits (BBQ pits and cooking grills) are not the same as open burning. Anyone can have an outdoor burn pit. Burn pits need to be a minimum of 10ft (3 meters) from property lines and or buildings. Burn pits cannot be used for disposal burning of any kind.
8. You must call the Denton County Fire Marshal's Office and confirm that it is a burn day and you must log the date and time the information was requested.
9. Bonfires are not allowed. Ceremonial and Recreational fires must be approved and permitted by LCFD.
10. Failure to comply with requirements, can result in penalties and fines.

**Note: We know that burn permits have been issued in the past, if you do not meet the required parameters, a burn permit will not be renewed or issued.**

## Shady Shores

1. **Open Burning.** Burning must be conducted downwind of or at least 300 feet (90 meters) from any structure containing sensitive receptors located on adjacent properties unless prior written approval is obtained from the adjacent occupant with possessory control.

**Exceptions:**

- a. Fires in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet (5 meters) from a structure.
- b. The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet (7 meters) where the pile size is 3 feet (1 meter) or less in diameter and 2 feet (.5 meter) or less in height.

**Burn Permit is still required for #2 and #3:**

2. **Bonfires.** A bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet (17 meters) of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 50 feet (17 meters) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
3. **Recreational and Ceremonial fires.** Recreational and Ceremonial fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet (8 meters) of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet (8 meters) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
4. **Portable outdoor fireplaces.** (Burn Pits) Portable outdoor fireplaces shall be used in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and shall not be operated within 15 feet (5 meters) of a structure or combustible material.

**Exception:** Portable outdoor fireplaces used at one-family dwellings.
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6. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread shall be eliminated prior to ignition.
7. You must also provide a continuous water source capable of reaching and extinguishing the burn pile.
8. If the LCFD receives calls on any type of outdoor burning, the LCFD may require you to extinguish the burn pile or pit, if you not meeting the parameter requirements, you do not have a current burn permit, or if at any time the burning is a nuisance.
9. You must call the Denton County Fire Marshal's Office and confirm that it is a burn day and you must log the date and time the information was requested.
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