



WEST METRO FIRE-RESCUE DISTRICT Recreational Burning Rules/Guidelines

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1. Recreational fires **shall not** be used for disposal of yard waste, construction materials, or common household trash. Fuel for recreational fire shall only be that of aged, dry firewood.
2. All recreational fires must be in an approved outdoor fireplace or pit, which is at grade or below and no more than 3 feet in diameter. The outside edge **shall** be ringed with brick, rock, or other non-combustible material to prevent fire spread. Commercially manufactured steel outdoor fire pits and structures **may be** used provided they are not more than 3 feet in diameter.
3. All recreational fires **shall** be kept a min. of 15 feet from any structure or combustible materials.
4. Recreational fires **shall not** be allowed if winds exceed 7 miles per hour.
5. Recreational fires **shall be** constantly attended by the property owner or designated adult until fire is completely extinguished. A garden hose or other adequate means of extinguishment **shall** be available within 15 feet of the fire for emergency purposes.
6. When prohibited by action of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, recreational fires **shall not** be permitted.
7. All recreational fires **shall** be extinguished no later than 11:00 PM.
8. You are liable for **any** or **all** damages that may result from having a recreational fire.
9. At the discretion of the fire official, any recreational fire not adhering to the above regulations, and or that poses a dangerous condition shall be considered a public nuisance and shall be immediately extinguished. Any person or persons who fail to comply with these conditions shall be in violation of the above said regulations and may be issued a citation for violation of city ordinances.

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