

OPEN BURNING

It is important to note that New Jersey Fire Code, the New Jersey Forest Fire Service and Local Ordinance govern the enforcement and regulation of open burning.

All commercial properties require a permit issued by the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety.

Any open burning that is offensive or objectionable because of smoke or emission or to where atmospheric conditions or local circumstances that make the fire hazardous will be ordered extinguished by the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety.

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RULES

All Open Burning Is Prohibited in the Township of Brick as per the New Jersey Fire Code N.J.A.C. 5:70-3.307.

Open Burning is defined as the burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney. However, the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety recognizes that the use of outdoor fireplaces and chimeneas has become very popular and there are some permitted uses in **owner occupied single family dwellings ONLY**. If you plan to use them, there are special considerations connected with the use of these devices. It is important to remember that anytime you work with fire, there is a chance you could get burned or lose control of the fire. The following information and guidelines are provided for your safety:

Outdoor Fireplace & Chimeneas

- Outdoor Fireplaces and Chimeneas shall NEVER be used inside any structure or on any combustible porch, deck or balcony. These units are not intended for use as a primary heating source.
- Keep in mind where you are setting up your Outdoor Fireplace or Chimenea. The location shall be not less than 15 feet from any combustibles but a minimum of 25 feet is recommended. The fire must remain 3 feet by 3 feet maximum diameter and 2 feet in flame height.



Recreational Fires

- A recreational fire is a small fire 3 feet or less in diameter and 2 feet or less in flame height.
 - They shall be located a minimum of 15 feet from any structure.
- Small recreational fires are contained in an approved device like a Chimenea, outdoor fireplace, or barbecue grill. They may be utilized for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, warmth, cooking or similar purpose. Any fire not contained in an approved device noted herein shall be considered open burning and prohibited without a permit from the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety.



Bonfires

A Bonfire shall be utilized for ceremonial purposes only. All bonfires require a permit from the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety. A bonfire shall not be any larger than 5 feet x 5 feet x 5 feet and shall not burn longer than 3 hours. The maximum size and duration may be increased if the Brick Bureau of Fire Safety has determined that the fire safety requirements of the situation and desirable duration of burn warrant the increase.

- Never use flammable liquids such as gasoline, kerosene, starter fluids or any other liquid combustible substance that may create a rapid build up of fire and is prohibited by the fire code. Only the use of seasoned dry firewood over 3 inches is permitted. "Dura Flame" type or similar pre-manufactured fire logs are acceptable if used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
 - No leaves, paper, unseasoned wood, saw dust, brush and tree limbs less than 3 inches in diameter, yard waste, treated lumber, or evergreen needles. These items are prohibited by fire code and shall not be utilized.
 - Do not use during a high wind condition or unusually dry conditions.
 - All openings of the container shall be covered to prevent the passage of sparks and embers at all times. Use only approved Outdoor Fireplaces, Chimeneas, and Fire Bowls equipped with a chimney, spark arrester, top metal screened cover, screen, or front grate.
 - The use of metal drums is prohibited and against the fire code. Metal drums are dangerous as the former use of the drums could have been for the storage of a flammable or combustible liquid.
- Never leave a fire unattended. A fire extinguisher with a minimum of a 4a rating, sand, water barrels, or a garden hose shall be available for immediate utilization.

