

Residential Fire (Burning) Permit

Schedule "A" By-Law #46/12 No Charge

Applicant's Name: *

Applicant's Email Address: *

Applicant's Permanent Address: *

**Please provide a
home phone number**

**Please provide a
cottage phone
number**

**Please provide a cell
phone number:**

Address of Burn site: *

Phone number at Burn Site: *

For the purpose of: *

Brush Burning

Campfire

1. The applicant acknowledges having read and understood By-Law No. 46/12.
2. The person issued the permit shall keep the permit at the site of the burning operation conducted under the permit, and produce it upon request from the Fire Department or authorized authorities.
3. This permit is granted for the purpose of campfires, cookouts, corn roasts etc..., the size of fire is to be **limited to 0.6 meter x 0.6 meter x 0.6 meter (2 feet x 2 feet x 2 feet)**.
4. This permit is granted for the purpose of **brush burning**, the size of the fire is to be **limited to 1 meter x 1 meter x 1 meter (3.3 feet x 3.3 feet x 3.3 feet)**
5. The person issued the permit shall have at the location of the fire at all times a competent person and enough water and equipment to **completely control and extinguish the fire**.
6. **It is the responsibility of the person issued the permit to check and monitor burning conditions as well as to ensure a Burn Ban is not in place.**
7. A competent person shall extinguish the fire until dead out before leaving the fire unattended.
8. **From April 1 until October 31 burning is permitted after 6 p.m. until 8 a.m. only. NO DAY BURNING IS ALLOWED.**
9. **Fines and or Fees as per Schedule "D" and "E" will be issued to the REGISTERED OWNER of the property.**

Date of Issue *

Date of Expiry (12 months from issue date) *

Permit Holder Signature *

By checking this box you agree to the conditions of this permit *

Yes

By checking this box you agree that "I understand that this permit is not valid unless I agree to the conditions of this permit *

Yes

The following are only excerpts from By-Law # 46/12, Consult full By-Law for all details.

2.1 The provisions of the By-Law shall apply to all land and areas so designated as being within the legal boundaries of the Corporation of the Township of North Kawartha.

2.4 NO permit shall be issued to a property owner where open air burning will have a detrimental effect on his/her neighbors because of the substance(s) being burned or the size of the burn area.

2.5 Upon obtaining a fire permit in accordance with 2.2 the owner or his agent shall:

a) Ensure that the fire is supervised at all times by a competent person who is at least 16 years of age or older.

b) In the opinion of a fire department member so authorized or a fire warden have sufficient resources available to control the fire at all times.

c) Ensure that any fire set out is never left unattended.

d) Ensure that fire is not set out until after 6:00 PM during the Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Season.

e) Ensure that any fire set out is extinguished before 8:00 AM during the Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Season.

f) Ensure that where debris is to be burned, the fire shall be properly contained.

g) Ensure that any fire set out is not ignited by gasoline, oil, petroleum by-products or any toxic or hazardous material.

h) Ensure that any fire set out shall not be within a distance of 10 meters of any building or within 10 meters of any other combustibles, vehicular roadway of any kind or nature, overhead wiring or property lines.

i) Ensure that any fire set out is not larger than 1 meter x 1 meter x 1 meter (3.3 feet x 3.3 feet x 3.3 feet) or 0.6 meter x 0.6 meter x 0.6 (2 feet x 2 feet x 2 feet) for a campfire.

j) Specifications in i) do not apply for a contractors permit

2.6 Where in the opinion of the Fire Chief or his designate, a potentially dangerous situation exists due to fire, smoke, weather, environmental or health concerns the Fire Chief may rescind, suspend or cancel any or all burning permits.

2.7 Permits may be obtained through the Municipal Office during normal working hours, through township selected agencies so designated by the Corporation of the Township of North Kawartha or online by visiting www.northkawartha.on.ca.

2.8 Other than during the Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Season, RESPONSIBLE day burning is allowed.

2.9 Notwithstanding any provisions herein, no "Person" shall set or maintain a fire;

a) In contravention of the "Ontario Fire Code", the Environmental Protection Act, or any other statutory requirements of the Province of Ontario or the Government of Canada; b) Containing "Prohibited Materials";

c) In any park owned or operated by the "Municipality" without the written permission of the "Municipality"; d)

In any outdoor fireplace or any other burning appliance or container unless same complies with the requirements contained within 2.2 and 2.5

e) Burn any allowed material without obtaining and having on their person an activated "Open Air Burn Permit" for those types of "Open Air Burns" requiring one;

f) Which does not meet the definition of a "Cooking Fire" without having obtained an "Open Air Burn Permit";

g) When a "Burn Ban" has been declared and put in place by the "Fire Chief" or his/her designate;

2.10 No "Open Air Burning" shall be commenced or maintained when the wind is in such a direction or intensity to cause any or all of the following:

a) The possible spread of the fire beyond the approved burn site;

b) A decrease in the visibility on any highway or roadway;

c) Any odor to such an extent or degree so as to cause discomfort to the persons in the immediate areas; and/or

d) Excessive smoke or any other "Adverse Effect";

e) Any "Dangerous Condition";

2.11 No "Open Air Burning" shall be commenced or maintained when rain or fog is present or weather conditions prevent the ready dispersion of smoke.

2.12 No "Permit" shall be required for domestic barbecues or permanent outdoor fireplaces used for the purpose of cooking of food on a grill and extinguished immediately upon completion of its use to cook.

2.13 No "Person" shall cause to be burned more than one pile at any one time, without the written approval

of the "Fire Chief" or his/her designate.

2.14 No "Person" shall set a non-condoned fire including, but not limited to, a grass fire.

2.15 No hay, straw, leaves, grass clippings or standing material may be burned, unless approved by the "Fire Chief" or his/her designate

2.16 During the "Ministry of Natural Resources Fire Season" no "Open Air Burning" shall be allowed between the time of 08:00 hours (8:00 AM) until 18:00 hours (6:00 PM) each day, seven (7) days a week.

2.17 The time indicated for no burning does not apply to a "Cooking Fire" as defined, if a "Burn Ban" is not in place and all precautions have been taken as defined and outlined.

2.18 The North Kawartha Fire Department is exempt from this by-law for the purposes of educating and training individuals.

2.19 The Fire Chief may grant special approval for a variance to the open air burning regulations contained in this by-law.

2.20 Any person may make application in writing to the Fire Chief for special approval of open air burning with religious, cultural or environmental significance, as an exception to the provisions of this By-law. Any such application shall include statement(s) to describe the purpose, reason and intent of the request, location and size of the fire, date and time of the fire, safety measures and supervision arrangements. The application shall also include a site diagram showing the fire location relative to buildings / structures, trees, shrubs, hedges, fences, overhead obstructions, flammable materials and property lines.

2.21 Permits" may be cancelled at any time by the Fire Chief or his/her designate. Upon receiving notice of such cancellation or suspension, the holder of the permit shall immediately extinguish the fire(s) started under said permit.

2.22 No person shall ignite or use a flying lantern.

SECTION 3: ISSUANCE OF PERMIT

3.1 The issuance of a "Permit" may require the prior inspection of the proposed burn site by the "Fire Chief" or his/her designate. 3.2 In applying for a "Permit", no "Person" shall furnish false or misleading information.

3.4 It is the responsibility of the "Person" granted a "Permit" to check and monitor burning conditions and adhere to any "Burn Ban" that may be in place

3.5 It is the responsibility of the person who is burning to have immediately available to them the "Permit" which they were issued for inspection by the "Fire Chief" or his/her designate, "Municipal By-Law Enforcement Officer" or a "Municipal Law Enforcement Officer"

3.6 In any prosecution under a provision of this by-law that requires a "Permit", the onus is on the "Person" charged to prove that the "Person" had a "Permit" at the time the offense is alleged to have been committed.

SECTION 6: VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

6.1 In addition to any other penalty prescribed by this by-law, any "Person" who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and is liable to a fine or penalty for each offence, exclusive costs and upon conviction is liable to a fine as set out in the Provincial Offenses Act R.S.O. 1990 Chapter P.33 and the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997 S.O. 1997

6.2 Any person who sets an open fire;

o without first obtaining the necessary permit, or;

o without following the conditions detailed in this by-law to set out a fire;

Shall be liable for a fine as per Schedule "E", and, if the services of the fire department are necessary due to the fire being out of control, charges as set out in Schedule "D" shall also be payable.

Schedule "E" fines are as follows: \$75 for first offence, \$150 for second offence and \$300 for third and successive offences billed to the registered owner of the property

Schedule "D" fees are as follows: \$410 per truck per hour from time of response till time of return to service in station.

For open air burning bylaw information or information on obtaining a permit online please visit www.northkawartha.on.ca

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY CALL 9-1-1

