



EAST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP

CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

OPEN BURNING APPLICATION

Open burning activities are regulated by Chapter 76 of the Township Code, as well as the International Fire Code. Please complete the following form and submit the application to the Township along with a fee in the amount of \$100 (as set forth in the current Fee Schedule). In the absence of the Fire Marshal, Open Burning Applications are reviewed by the Fire Company that services the Site.

Section 1 – Site Information

A. Location of Proposed Project (“Site”)

1. Street address: _____
2. Unit number (if applicable): _____
3. Tax parcel number(s): _____

Section 2 – Contact Information

A. Property Owner (Required)

Business name: _____

Contact name: _____

Address: _____

Cell phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Fax number: _____

This is the primary contact for the project (“Applicant”)

B. Lessee (If applicable)

Business name: _____

Contact name: _____

Address: _____

Cell phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____

E-Mail: _____ Fax number: _____

This is the primary contact for the project (“Applicant”)

Section 3 – Type of Burning Activity

Permitted open burning activities are limited to those listed below (also see NOTE below). Please identify the activity/activities you wish to conduct and describe the specific circumstances, as applicable:

A. Type of Open Burning

- A fire set to prevent or abate a fire hazard, when approved by the Department of Environmental Protection's Regional Air Quality Program office and set by or under the supervision of a public officer.
- Any fire set for the purpose of instructing personnel in fire-fighting, when approved by the Department of Environmental Protection's Regional Air Quality Program office.
- A fire set for the prevention and control of disease or pests, when approved by the Department of Environmental Protection's Regional Air Quality Program office, and when advanced notification is provided to and acknowledged by the Township.
- A fire set for the purpose of Clearing and Grubbing Wastes. An Air Curtain Destructor must be used and must be approved by the Department of Environmental Protection's Regional Air Quality Program office, and advanced notification must be provided to and acknowledged by the Township.
- A fire set in conjunction with the production of agricultural commodities in their unmanufactured state on the premises of the farm operation, with advanced notification is provided to and acknowledged by the Township.

B. Briefly Describe the Proposed Burning Activity

In addition to the description below, please include a map indicating the location of the proposed burning activity on the property (visit <https://arcweb.chesco.org/cv3/> to prepare a map).

NOTE: Please note that the following burning activities DO NOT require a permit:

1. A fire set solely for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes, provided the total fuel area of the fire is limited to three (3) feet or less in diameter and two (2) feet or less in height. Recreational Fires are subject to the regulations contained in the International Fire Code in accordance with Chapter 45 of the Township Code.
2. A fire contained within a Portable Outdoor Fireplace (POF). A POF is a portable, outdoor, solid-fuel-burning fireplace that may be constructed of steel, concrete, clay or other noncombustible material. A Portable Outdoor Fireplace may be open in design, or may be equipped with a small hearth opening and a short chimney or chimney opening in the top. POFs are subject to the regulations contained in the International Fire Code in accordance with Chapter 45 of the Township Code.

C. Date(s) of Proposed Burning Activity

Indicate the date or date range for the proposed burning activity: _____

Section 9 – Applicant Certification

The Applicant and Property Owner certify and/or acknowledge that:

1. The Open Burning shall be located at least 50 feet from any and all boundary lines, buildings, structures of any kind, public roads, curbs, sidewalks, utility poles, trees, shrubs and other combustible materials.
2. The Open Burning shall be performed only between the hours of sunrise and sunset.
3. A responsible adult, 18 years of age or older, shall be in attendance during the entire duration of the Open Burning.
4. A connected hose or other ample water supply capable of extinguishing the fire is present.
5. There is an area cleared of all combustible material of a radius of 15 feet.
6. Open Burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous (refer to <https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Communities/Wildfire/Pages/default.aspx>).
7. The Chester County 911 Center is notified prior to ignition.
8. It is unlawful to light or otherwise kindle fire upon the land of another without the permission of the owner thereof, which permission, except in the case of a family member or employee, shall be in writing.
9. It shall be unlawful for any Person to light or attempt to light or to cause, permit or authorize another to light or attempt to light or otherwise kindle any outdoor fire during a Red Flag Warning (<https://www.dcnr.pa.gov/Communities/Wildfire/Pages/default.aspx>) and/or when a ban on such fires has been publicly announced by the Board of Supervisors or their authorized representatives or designees in a time of a drought or other dangerous condition.
10. Any fire on public or private property may be extinguished by the local fire department having jurisdiction, either with or without the consent of the landowner or Person in charge, if, in the opinion of a Fire Code Official or Township Supervisor, such fire constitutes a danger to Persons or property.
11. Any Burning generating sufficient complaints from the public may be declared a nuisance fire by a Fire Code Official, and ordered to be extinguished by the homeowner or a fire department having jurisdiction

Applicant's Signature: _____

Applicant's Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Property Owner's Signature (if different): _____

Property Owner's Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Please submit the completed application to the Township along with the map and a fee in the amount of \$100 (as set forth in the current Fee Schedule).

Section 10 – Township Review

A. Application Submittal

- Date submitted: _____
- Fee (\$100) received
- Map received
- Date forwarded: _____
 - Forwarded to Fire Marshal
 - Forwarded to First West Chester Fire Company
 - Forwarded to West Bradford Fire Company

B. Application Approval/Denial

- Approved on: _____

Conditions of approval:

- Denied on: _____

Reasons for denial:

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____