

VILLAGE OF RYCROFT POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL	Policy No.	FIR.03
	E f f e c t i v e Date:	June 2009
BURNING POLICY	Supersedes:	NEW
	Amends:	

PURPOSE:

To identify the conditions and limitations for use of Recreational Fire Pits and Permanent Stationary Barbeques within the Village of Rycroft.

POLICY:

The Village of Rycroft Fire Protection By-Law prohibits open air burning within the municipal boundary of the Village of Rycroft.

This policy does not apply to propane or gas fired barbeques.

Burning of clean wood fuel may be allowed in properly designed, constructed and located Recreational Fire Pits or Stationary Barbeques subject to the following conditions:

1. Only clean fuel such as seasoned wood or charcoal briquettes are to be burned. Burning of grass clippings, yard waste, construction debris, or garbage is strictly prohibited due to the offensive odour they create.
2. The burn pit/barbecue is to be located at least 10 feet (3.05 Meters) from any combustibles (buildings, fences, overhang of trees, overhead wires, etc.)
3. The burn pit/barbecue shall be located on a non-combustible base such as concrete or mineral soil. Top soil may contain organic materials that will allow fire to escape underneath the fire pit.
4. The burn pit/barbecue shall have non-combustible sides such as steel, concrete or masonry with minimum height Of 12 inches (30cm) above ground level.
5. A spark arrester screen with no more than ½ inch (1.25cm) mesh shall be placed over the pit at all times when in use to prevent embers from leaving the pit.
6. The cooking surface may not exceed 600sq. inches (3871 cm²) = 28 inch diameter (71 cm).
7. Over fuelling of a fire pit where wood or other fuel is piled higher than the top of the pit is prohibited as it will result in excessive flame height and is likely to result in complaints from neighbours.
8. Whenever weather or burning conditions result in embers or smoke migration onto a neighbouring property the fire must be extinguished immediately.
9. A permit must be obtained from the Village of Rycroft prior to use of any Recreational fire Pit or Stationary Barbeque. (appendix A)
10. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this policy may result in the permit being revoked.

APPENDIX A

Date:

Name of Permit Holder:

Property Owner's Address:

Phone Number: _____ (Home) _____ (Business)

RECREATIONAL FIRE PIT BURN PERMIT

Physical Address:

Further to our discussion regarding your Burn Permit, you are authorized to proceed with the burning at the above-mentioned location, subject to the conditions as attached. The Fire Department Officer in Charge and the Permit Holder shall initial each condition.

Fire Pit Burn Permits are valid for a period of five (5) years and are Non transferable.

Burn Permits can be picked up at the Village of Rycroft Office, Located at 4703–51st Street.

Please indicate your acceptance of the noted conditions on the rear by signing the copy of this permit in the space provided.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED:

Permit Holder

Officer in Charge

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non-combustible base.
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Combustible sides with a minimum height
Of 12 inches (30cm) above ground level
5. A screen with no more than ½ inch
(1.25cm) mesh shall be places over
the pit at all times when burning.
6. The cooking surface may not exceed
600sq. inches (3871 cm²) = 28 inch diameter
(71 cm)
7. Fuel shall not extend above the top of the
pit while burning.
8. Embers or smoke migration onto
neighbouring property shall result in the fire
being extinguished immediately.

Failure to adhere to the above conditions may result in this permit being revoked.