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Rules for Permitted Open Burning

A permit is required for any open burning in Chikaming Township in accordance with Michigan Open Burning Regulations. See <https://www.michigan.gov/OpenBurning> for more information.

Permits are valid for three (3) days from the date of issue. Any open burning occurring outside of the three (3) day window will require a new permit.

At the discretion of the Chikaming Township Fire Chief or designated agent:

- Permits may be revoked at any time.
- Any fire deemed as objectionable or a nuisance may be extinguished.
- Any fire deemed a hazard or in violation of these rules shall be extinguished.

Chikaming Township Fire Department must respond to and act upon all open burning complaints. Actions include allowing the fire to self-extinguish or manual extinguishment by the attendee or CTFD.

You are responsible for any and all damages caused by a fire you started.

Chikaming Township, in granting an open burning permit, specifically disclaims any liability for, and assumes no responsibility for the activity hereby permitted.

RULES

1. Burning prohibited when (sustained or gust) wind speeds exceed 10 mph.
2. Fires shall be maintained at least 50' from any combustible structures (including fences or decks) or other combustible materials.
3. A readily available water supply or equivalent means of extinguishment (charged hose preferable) shall be present.
4. Fires shall be constantly attended by an adult until extinguished.
5. Burn only manageable amounts.
6. Burn between sunrise and sunset only; fires shall be extinguished at sunset.
7. Only natural brush, wood, and leaf material may be burned. Construction materials or household trash shall not be burned.
8. Accelerant use is prohibited.
9. Fires shall take place on private property only and not in roadways, easements, or beneath utility lines.

To obtain a permit, call the burn permit hotline **269-469-1445** and follow the instructions.

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