

ORANGEBURG DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Division of the Fire Marshal

BONFIRE PERMIT APPLICATION

The SC Fire Code (2021, 307.4.1 Bonfires) states that a bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions that could cause a fire to spread within 50 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR FIRE, AND ITS SMOKE.

1. The property owner or person filing for the bonfire permit is solely responsible for the fire.
2. Unless special provisions are made, the fire truck is not dedicated to the bonfire event.
3. Pursuant to special events requests, fire trucks are not available before 9 AM and after 10 PM.
4. Bonfires shall not be ignited with accelerants, flammable and/or combustible liquids. (i.e. gasoline, kerosene)
5. Bonfires shall contain only natural products. Trash, tar paper, contents containing any rubber products, creosote treated lumber, glue impregnated material, plastic, foam, and household trash is prohibited.
6. The responsible person shall remain with the bonfire during the entirety of the event and be available for contact by the fire department.
7. A site inspection shall be completed prior to the start of the event by the fire department.
8. At least one portable fire extinguisher of with a minimum size of 4-A shall be in attendance if a fire truck is unable to attend.
9. Burning is not allowed if wind speeds are greater than 10 mph.
10. Burning is not allowed if a burn ban or red flag warning is in effect issued by the SC Forestry Commission. <https://www.state.sc.us/forest/>

SC Fire Code 307.2 Permit Required - A permit shall be obtained from the fire code official in accordance with Section 105.5 prior to kindling a fire for recognized silvicultural or range or wildlife management practices, prevention or control of disease or pests, or a bonfire. Application for such approval shall only be presented by and permits issued to the owner of the land on which the fire is to be kindled.

SC Fire Code 307.1.1 Prohibited Open Burning - Open burning shall be prohibited when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous.

SC Fire Code 307.5 Attendance - Open burning, bonfires, recreational fires and use of portable outdoor fireplaces shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. Not fewer than one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

Please fill out and email to firemarshal@orangeburgdps.org

Date of the event: _____ Time of the event: _____ to _____

Responsible person's name: _____

Phone number of responsible person: _____

Organization name: _____

Organization address: _____

Bonfire location: _____

Responsible person's signature

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