



# Dexter Area Fire Department

## OPEN BURNING

### Things you need to know before you burn.

- You must obtain a burning permit from the fire department before you burn.
  - Only natural materials may be burned. (brush, leaves, logs, weeds, stumps etc.)
  - Processed lumber can not be burned. (plywood, treated lumber, R/R ties, etc.)
  - No trash or man made debris is to be burned.
  - All open burning must be attended and controlled for the duration of the fire.
  - No burning after dark or before dawn. (camp fires are permitted with a permit)
  - Campfires must be kept to minimum size.
  - Hint: if the fire makes black smoke, you are probably burning something illegal.
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- The Michigan Department of Natural Resources regulates all open burning per Public Act 451 of 1994.
  - The Michigan Department of Natural Resources may issue a ban on open burning when conditions are to dry.
  - You are liable for your open burn, if it gets out of control you will be responsible for all damages occurred. Please use extreme caution.

**Burn permits may be obtained at no cost by calling the Dexter Area Fire Department at (734) 426-4500 between 7a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday – Friday.**

*For more information please contact the Dexter Area Fire Department.*