

Section 8.18 FIRES.

The incineration of garbage and other items including such items as roof shingles, rubber, plastic, and other petroleum based products shall not be permitted.

Incineration of refuse, leaves, paper or wood, shall be permitted if done in accordance with the following rules:

1. Except as otherwise permitted in this ordinance, all such burning shall be done in a container constructed as to prevent the dispersal of sparks and burning materials to neighboring or adjacent buildings or premises.
2. Burning leaves, brush fires, or fire for the purpose of clearing lands, outside of a container, shall be permitted only upon the issuance of a permit. In this instance a container as required in subsection 8.18.1 shall not be required. Permits for fires of this type located in particular geographic areas of the township shall be obtained from the Chief of the Fire Department serving that particular geographic area.
3. No such burning shall be done within twenty (20) feet of an existing ***building, or within ten (10) feet of a side or rear lot***
4. No such burning shall be done prior to 8:00 a.m., and shall not be continued after 8:00 p.m. or sunset, whichever comes first; on any day.
5. No burning shall be done unless under the charge of supervision of an adult. No burning of any kind shall be left unattended.
6. No such burning shall be done at any time or place when wind conditions will create or be apt to create a nuisance to anyone or the property of anyone in the vicinity thereof, or be a danger to the property of any person in the vicinity thereof.
7. No such burning shall be done where its maximum size is not controllable by one adult.

8. No burning of any kind (excluding campfires and permanent or portable outdoor grills) shall take place on Sunday, or the days immediately preceding or following holidays. Holidays, for the purpose of this ordinance shall include: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving day, and Christmas Day. Also, no burning shall take place on Michigan International Speedway race weekends (Friday, Saturday and Sunday).
9. Campfires shall be permitted provided they take place in pits constructed to be no less than one (1) foot deep and no larger than three (3) feet in diameter, or contained in a solid fire-proof structure at ground level. The provisions of Subsections 2, 4, and 8 shall not apply to campfires.
10. Penalties.

Any person who violates this section of the Zoning Ordinance or fails to comply with any of the requirements of this section shall:

- (1) Be subject to the penalties stated in Section 10.8, and shall
- (2) Pay to the Township the total cost of any fire department response.