# **HENDERSONVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

## **FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE**

225 Freehill Rd Hendersonville, TN 37075

### **CONTROLLED BURN PERMIT**

A Controlled Burn Permit must be obtained from the Hendersonville Fire Prevention Bureau (Fire Marshal, Fire Inspector, or authorized designee).

**RESIDENTS:** Controlled Burn Permits may be issued and updated from either the local fire station, which services their address, or the Fire Prevention Bureau.

**CONTRACTORS:** Controlled Burn Permits must be issued and updated through the Fire Prevention Bureau

Permit shall be valid for a period of one (1) week from the date of issue unless otherwise specified and the issue date shall appear on the permit form.

The holder of the permit is <u>required</u> to contact the Fire Marshal's Office <u>each day before any controlled burning</u> <u>begins</u> to ascertain current weather conditions or any other changes deemed as necessary by the Office of the Fire Marshal. (A valid complaint shall void permit.)

Under adverse weather conditions as determined by the Fire Marshal or his designee, no open burning shall be allowed. **Controlled Burning is NOT allowed when the wind velocity is above 10 mph** as reported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

This Controlled Burn Permit allows for the following:

- Burning between the hours of **7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday**. (All vestiges of controlled burning shall be non-existent in the air no later than 7:00 p.m.)
- (NO burning is allowed on Sundays or Holidays)
- Materials may not be burned in piles exceeding **12 ft. by 12 ft.**
- Burning is limited to natural vegetation grown on site. No type of construction debris, including pallets, roofing material, metal parts, painted material, asbestos, treated wood, pesticides, herbicides, or any other classified hazardous material, including petroleum based products shall be burned. Rubber tires and similar type material are not to be used to start or burn within the fire.

The person doing the burning will have a garden hose or some type of water source available for fire suppression. If no water source is available, it will be a requirement for some type of extinguishing agent to be present on site. This may include portable fire extinguishers, shovels, rakes, or heavy machinery sufficient to move enough earth to control and suppress fire.

At NO time, will the controlled burn be left unattended. Such person shall not be more than 50 ft. (15.2 m) from any controlled burn.

No person shall kindle or maintain any controlled burn or authorize any such fire to be kindled or maintained on any private land unless the location is greater than 50 ft. (15.2 m) from any structure and adequate provision is made to prevent fire from spreading within 50 ft. (15.2 m) of any structure.

#### ON SATURDAYS, CALL ONE OF THE NUMBERS BELOW TO INQUIRE WHETHER BURNING IS PERMITTED

STATION 1	STATION 2	STATION 3	STATION 4	STATION 5	STATION 6
173 Luna Lane	225 Freehill Rd	179 Bonita Pkwy	511 Indian Lake Rd	1166 Forest Retreat Rd	1003 Winston Hills
(615) 264-5350	(615) 264-5320	(615) 264-5340	(615) 824-0961	(615) 822-1360	(615) 824-5109

Phone: 822-1119 Fax: 264-1586

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Any permit holder who shall violate any of the provisions of the permit may be subject to the following:

- 1. First offense may consist of a verbal warning from an engine company or responding unit.
- 2. Second offense may consist of a written warning from the Fire Prevention Bureau.
- 3. Third offense may consist of a City Citation being issued.

At no time, will this schedule preclude the Fire Chief or his designee from issuing a City Citation on the first offense based on the serious nature of the offense. The imposition of a penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation nor shall the violation be permitted to continue. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. Any permit holder who violates these provisions may have any future Controlled Burn Permits denied and may be subject to further restrictions.

#### WHEN IS A BURN PERMIT NOT REQUIRED?

Controlled burning may be conducted without a permit subject to the specified limitations:

- 1. Fires used for cooking food, ceremonial, or recreational purposes, including barbeques and outdoor fireplaces. This exception does not include commercial food preparation facilities and their operation.
- Comfort heating on construction jobs provided the burning is in a suitable metal container and only untreated wood is burned. This is not to be construed to allow the burning of painted or chemically treated wood for comfort heating. Controlled burning for comfort heat is not allowed when the ambient temperature exceeds forty (40) degrees.
- 3. No detriment to public health.
- 4. No public nuisance is or will be created by such burning.
- 5. No land, air, or water traffic hazard is created.

These exemptions shall in no way relieve the person responsible for such burning from the consequences or the damages, injuries, or claims resulting from such burning or of the responsibility of obtaining any other permit from any other agency.

The person obtaining this permit and affixing his or her signature shall be known as the Permit Holder and has agreed to abide by all the provisions of the Controlled Burn Permit. It shall be the sole responsibility of the permit holder to ensure all provisions of this permit will be complied with regardless of who is maintaining the controlled burn.

LOCATION OF BURN SITE:	(Include lot n	imber or address)		
APPLICANT NAME: (Please print)	(List company name if contractor)	DOB:/	/	
APPLICANT'S ADDRESS:	(List company name if contractor)	PHONE:		
DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER:	STATE:			
APPLICANT SIGN:	PR	INT:		
APPROVING OFFICIAL:		DATE OF ISSUE: /	/	