



Municipality of
Dutton Dunwich



BURNING BY-LAW # 2011-12 A Common Sense Approach to Controlled Burning

In the majority of cases approval to burn in rural areas is granted subject to the following conditions:

- Apply for a burn permit prior to the time of burning by contacting 519-319-1688 (Fire Chief) or 519-860-1543.
- Leaving a message does not give approval to burn as we need to make contact with our dispatcher so they are aware.
Do Not Call 911.
- The fire must be attended at all times by a competent person.
- Please be considerate of your neighbours. No one likes the obnoxious odour of a fire to permeate their home or laundry hanging on the line. If the wind conditions are wrong for a burn, plan for another day.
- Avoid periods of extreme dryness when grass and brush can accelerate a fire rapidly out of control.
- Burning materials that are environmentally harmful such as tires, treated wood, and petroleum based products is **not** permitted.
- **Please**, no burning after dark. Unnecessary alarms are often turned in by concerned neighbours or passersby who have not identified the object that is burning. The fire department has to respond to these alarms.
- **Be aware that if the fire department responds to a controlled burn that was not approved, or a fire that you set that gets out of control, there is a minimum charge of \$410.00 per hour for cost recovery. It is not up to the general taxpayer to pay for fires that you have created.**
- Backyard recreational fires are generally approved if confined to a pit, kept small, and do not annoy neighbours.
This is the only burning that is allowed in built up areas.

When it comes to illegal fires...



Open burning is not worth the risk!

For more information on our
Burning By-law #2011-12, call
Fire Chief Dan Lundy at 519-319-1688
during business hours
or check the municipal website at:
www.duttondunwich.on.ca