

FIRE PITS & GRILLS

THE CITY OF OSHKOSH HAS ISSUED THIS BULLETIN:
(YOU MAY BE FINED BY THE CITY IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY)

The City of Oshkosh prohibits open burning within the city limits with the exception of the following:

1. Cooking fires
2. Outdoor fireplaces

Anyone violating the following regulations may be issued a citation for \$212.

Cooking Fires

1. All cooking fires are to be in commercial outdoor cooking appliances (charcoal grills, propane grills, etc.).
2. All cooking fires are to be extinguished after cooking is completed.
3. Disposal of ashes shall be in a non-combustible container, which shall be kept outside of any/all buildings.
4. All solid fuel (charcoal, wood, etc.) cooking fires are to be at least ten (10) feet away from combustible materials.
5. All cooking fires are to be used in a safe manner.
6. A competent person shall continually attend all cooking fires. This person shall have readily available approved extinguishing equipment (fire extinguisher, garden hose connected to water supply, etc.).

Outdoor Fireplaces

The Fire Chief has allowed the use of "outdoor fireplaces" within the City limits. Home-made appliances will NOT be allowed. The fireplaces shall be commercially produced and used in a safe manner, in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Because the City of Oshkosh also has a smoke nuisance regulation, which prohibits the creation of excessive smoke, only dry wood is to be burned. Paper, leaves, trash, etc., are prohibited.

The outdoor fireplace shall be complete with a burn pan, lid, and a fire screen all the way around the device (see picture below). This device shall be used in a safe manner and be at least twenty-five (25) feet away from all combustible construction.

All fires shall be continually attended by a competent person. This person shall have readily available, approved extinguishing equipment (fire extinguisher, garden hose connected to water supply, etc.). The fire shall be completely extinguished prior to leaving the fireplace unsupervised.

