

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SHEDDEN
BY-LAW #97-09

BEING a by-law of the Corporation of the Township of Shedden prescribing times for setting fires in the open air and precautions to be taken.

WHEREAS By the provisions of Section 210, Paragraph 35 of the Municipal Act, C.M. 45, R.S.O., 1990 and amendments thereto, a Municipal Council may enact by-laws regarding fire matters.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Shedden enacts as follows:

1. No person shall set a fire in the open air in the Township between the hours of eight o'clock in the morning and eight o'clock in the evening during the months of April, May, June, July, August, September and October in each year.
2. No person shall set out fires in open air without first obtaining a fire permit to do so from the Fire Chief or designated officer. Fire permits will be issued for a ten day period, and then shall expire.
3. No person shall set any fire in the open air to burn, any kitchen garbage, construction materials or materials made of or containing rubber, plastic or tar.
4. No person shall burn any materials in the open air except dry materials. Dry materials are defined as wood, brush, leaves and discarded wood products only.
5. No person shall set out any fire out of doors in the Township except in the presence of a competent adult person and this person shall be in constant attendance of any burning operation as to prevent same from spreading or endangering other property. Every person who starts a fire shall ensure that they have adequate suppression tools (rakes, shovels, adequate water) in operable condition.
6. No person shall set a fire in the open air, unless:
 - (a) The material to be burned is in a single pile that is less than two metres in height, two metres in width and two metres in length.
 - (b) The fire must be located no less than five metres from a forested area and no less than two metres from any flammable materials, and no less than 15 metre clearance to buildings.
7. No person shall set a fire in the open air when the wind is likely to blow flaming material and/or sparks so as to cause a fire hazard in the adjoining area.
8. No person shall set a fire in the open air which causes inconvenience or irritation to others.
9. No person shall leave the site of a fire set in the open air in the Township without fully extinguishing the said fire.
10. The provisions of this by-law do not apply to fires set in the open air for the purpose of cooking or obtaining warmth.

11. Burning in an incinerator will be permitted provided:
- (a) Person uses a metal barrel in good condition;
 - (b) The barrel shall be at least 5 metres from any forest, and two metres from any flammable material;
 - (c) The barrel shall be covered by a heavy duty screen with mesh size not greater than 5 mm;
 - (d) A competent adult person monitors the fire until out.
 - (e) Burning of rubber, plastic or tar is prohibited in an incinerator.
12. This by-law shall have no application to any fire set in the open air within the Township of Shedden's municipal Landfill Site, by municipal forces.
13. During a "Restricted Fire Zone" all burning permits are cancelled and campfires are not allowed.
14. The Fire Chief may cancel any or all issued fire permits at his/her absolute discretion.
15. Any person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offense.
16. Schedule "A", which outlines the Fire Permit, is attached, and forms part of this By-Law #97-09.
- Schedule "B", which outlines guidelines for Home Incinerators is attached, and forms part of this By-Law #97-09.
17. This by-law shall come into effect on the date of third and final reading.

READ a first, second and third
time this **5th** day of
May, 1997.


REEVE (Acting)


CLERK-TREASURER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SHEDDEN

PERMIT TO BURN

No burning between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. from April 1st to October 31st in each year in accordance with Municipal By-Law #97-09.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS WHERE BURNING, IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE: _____

TELEPHONE #: _____

THIS PERMIT IS VALID FROM THE _____ DAY OF _____ TO AND INCLUDING THE _____ DAY OF _____.

You are hereby granted permission to burn grass, leaves, brush and dry materials only, at the above address. It is contrary to the Municipal By-Law #97-09 to burn household garbage, construction materials or material containing rubber, plastic, tar petroleum or chemicals. This burning permit is valid in the Township of Shedden only. No person shall set out any fires in the open air within the Township, except in the presence of a competent adult person who shall be in constant attendance and in charge of the burning operations to prevent fire from spreading to or endangering property.

- No outside fire which causes inconvenience or irritation to others shall be permitted.
- No burning when the wind is likely to blow flaming materials and/or sparks so as to cause a fire hazard in the adjoining area.
- Fire shall be attended to at all times until extinguished.
- No burning under any overhead wires.
- The material to be burned is in a single pile that is less than two metres in height, two metres in width and two metres in length.
- The fire must be located no less than five metres from a forested area and no less than two metres from any flammable materials, and no less than 15 metre clearance to buildings.
- Operable suppression tools shall be provided and shall include rakes, shovels, and an adequate water supply.

Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this permit and By-Law, upon conviction is liable to a fine not exceeding (\$5,000.00) five thousand dollars exclusive of costs pursuant to the Provincial Offenses Act of Ontario.

I, the undersigned have read and understand the above guidelines and agree to follow them at all times. I also understand that I will be held accountable for any damage or costs that may occur from not following the guidelines.

Signature of Permittee

Date

Issued By _____ Fire Chief or designated officer

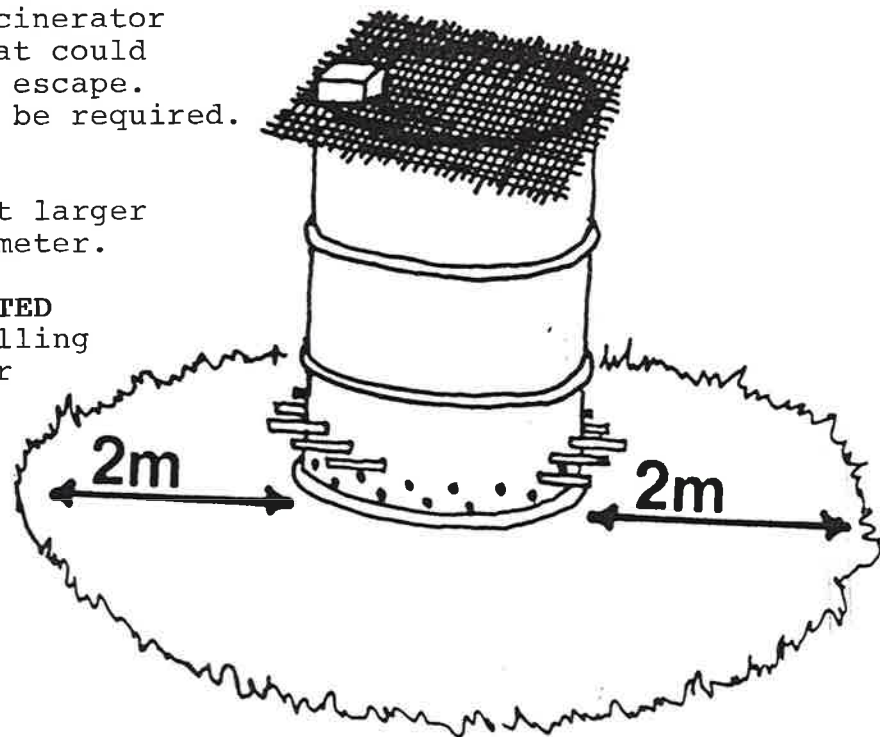
HOME INCINERATOR TIPS

For Your Safety and Protection

OBTAIN A BURNING PERMIT PRIOR TO ANY BURNING

BURN IN A SAFE INCINERATOR!

- **METAL BARREL IN GOOD CONDITION**
- **HEAVY SCREEN MESH**
 - Heavy Duty Screen with mesh size not greater than 5 mm.
- **HELP COMBUSTION AND CLEAN BURNING**
 - Punch holes and shove steel rods or pipes through barrel. This will hold burning material up and give a clean fast burn.
- **GROUND CLEARED**
 - and maintained a least 2 metres around incinerator of all material that could cause your fire to escape. More clearance may be required.
- **DRAFT HOLES**
 - Near the bottom not larger than 2.5 cm in diameter.
- **SCREEN HINGED AND WEIGHTED**
 - To prevent from falling or blowing off your incinerator.



DEBRIS BURNER TIPS

To Prevent Fire Escaping From Your Incinerator

- Do not burn if it's against the law. During periods of extreme hazard restricted fire legislation may be invoked.
- Burn in a Safe Incinerator. (See above)
- Place your incinerator in the middle of a circle cleared to mineral soil. (Use the corner of your garden)
- The incinerator must be at least 5 metres from a forest or woodland.
- Burn after **8:00 p.m.** for greater safety.
- **NEVER** leave your fire unattended.
- Do not burn on windy days.
- Do not burn plastics, tar or rubber.