



BURN PERMIT APPLICATION

Date of Application ____/____/____

Customer Name _____

Driver's License Number _____ State of Issue _____

Daytime Phone Number (____) _____ - _____

Evening Phone Number (____) _____ - _____ Same as above

Address _____

Residential

Commercial

Name of Company _____ Business License Number _____

Description of materials to be burned _____

Location on property for burning to take place _____

Dimensions of burning area _____ x _____ or Fire contained within a barrel

Fire extinguishment/watch plan _____

Permit approved and valid for the date of ____/____/____

Permit denied

Fire Official _____ Fire Official Signature _____ Date ____/____/____

*This permit is subject to the attached guidelines, and may be revoked for any reason dictated by the Fire Chief or his representative.

All burning within the City of Alabaster shall adhere to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management Air Division- Air Pollution Control Program, Chapter-335-3-3

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No person shall ignite, cause to be ignited, permit to be ignited, or maintain any open fire except as follows:

1. *Open fires for cooking of food for human consumption on other than commercial premises.*
2. *Fires for recreational or ceremonial purposes.*
3. *Fires to abate a fire hazard, providing the hazard is so declared by the Fire Department or Fire District having jurisdiction.*
4. *Fires for prevention or control of disease or pests.*
5. *Fires for training personnel in the methods of fighting fires, provided that all requirements of ADEM Admin Code 335-3-11-02 are met.*
6. *Fire for the disposal of dangerous materials where there is no practical alternate method of disposal and burning is approved by the Director of ADEM.*
7. *Fires set for recognized agricultural, silvicultural, range, and wildlife management practices.*
8. *Fires set in salamanders or other devices, utilizing only wood, vegetation, coal, propane, kerosene, fuel oil or used oil (defined in ADEM Admin Code 335-14-17) as fuel, and used by construction or other workers for heating purposes.*
9. *Open fires specifically or expressly approved by the Director of ADEM.*

Open burning may also be conducted for the purposes listed below and if it meets all the requirements of this paragraph. Authority to conduct open burning under the provisions of this paragraph does not exempt or excuse a person from the consequences, damages, or injuries which may result from such conduct, nor does it exempt or excuse a person from complying with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and orders of governmental entities having jurisdiction, even though the open burning is conducted as specified in the paragraph.

Open burning of vegetation or untreated wood may be conducted if it is generated by clearing or maintaining land, or from demolition or operations conducted for any of the following purposes:

1. *Erection of any structure.*
2. *Construction of any transportation, utility, or communications line.*
3. *Maintenance of right-of-ways.*
4. *Development or modification of a recreational or commercial area.*
5. *Plant husbandry practices.*

Open burning authorized by this paragraph shall comply with the following conditions:

- The burning must take place on the property on which the combustible fuel originates.

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- The location of burning must be at least **500 feet from the nearest occupied dwelling, other than a dwelling located on the property on which the burning is conducted**, at which point burning must be **50 feet from occupied dwellings on the property that burning is to be located**.
- The area around vegetation or untreated wood to be burned must be cleared to a minimum of a 25 foot radius, and piled not over 8 feet in diameter or 5 feet high.
- Burning must be controlled so as to avoid creating a traffic hazard on any public road, street, or highway as a result of the air contaminants emitted.
- **Only vegetation and untreated wood may be burned.** It is unauthorized to open burn heavy oils, asphalt products, plastics, vinyl materials, insulation, paper, cardboard, natural or synthetic rubber, salvage or scrap materials, chemicals, garbage, treated or painted wood, or any trash.
- **Initial burning may be commenced only between the hours of 8:00 am - 3:00 pm.**
- No combustible material is to be added to the fire between 3:00 pm - 8:00 am.
- Burning shall be conducted only when there is good ventilation and when prevailing wind direction is away from and built-up area in the vicinity.
- No burning shall be conducted in areas under a current air stagnation advisory issued by the National Weather Service or during a "Drought Emergency" declared by the Governor of the State of Alabama.
- The Director of ADEM or his authorized representative may impose additional conditions to cover specific open burning situations where additional controls or requirements are deemed necessary to minimize air pollution.
- **The fire shall be attended at all times.**

Permission to open burn under the provisions of this article are revoked during the months of May, June, July, August, September, and October in Baldwin, Dekalb, Etowah, Jefferson, Lawrence, Madison, Mobile, Montgomery, Morgan, **Shelby**, Russell, and Talladega counties.

***Fires shall at no time be left burning at night or unattended by the person for whom this permit has been issued.**

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, will abide by, and have received a paper copy of the rules set forth in this application. I further understand that I am solely responsible for any and all damages, injuries or cost sustained as a result of my burning.

Permit Applicant Name _____

Permit Applicant Signature _____

Date ___/___/___