

Requirements for burning in Upper Allen Township

1. Burning of any type requires a permit issued by Upper Allen Township. The permit is good for one full week; however, time extensions may be granted.
2. **The applicant must call the Cumberland County Dispatch the day of the burn. Their non-emergency number is 717-238-9676.**
3. The burning of the following items is prohibited: Animal or human waste, cardboard, magazines, slick paper, painted or stained siding, plastics, paints, varnishes or other petroleum based products, roof shingles, tires or any rubber product, hazardous chemicals or materials, wet or dry leaves, wet garbage or food waste, demolition waste, or any other material that may be collected under the Township's waste recycling program or regular trash collection contract.
4. All burning in containers must be done with a covering that contains holes not more than one half (1/2) inch in size to prevent the spread of flammable ashes.
5. All burning is subject to the regulations listed under Section 307 of the International Fire Code, as adopted. (Copy of this Section is available upon request)
6. The following section must be answered completely. Failure to provide all necessary information will automatically deem the permit denied.
 - a. List all types of material to be burned. _____

 - b. Draw and attach a plot plan showing the location of burning and the distance to all structures and property lines.
 - c. What method of extinguishing the fire will be used and maintained at the fire during burning? Please note that the method of extinguishing the fire must be sufficient for the size of the fire and readily available. **(Circle One)**

Water	Dirt Covering	Chemical Extinguisher
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7. The location for open burning shall not be less than 50 feet from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading within 50 feet of any structure.

Exemptions: 1) Fires in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet from a structure. 2) The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet where the pile size is three feet or less in diameter and two feet or less in height.
8. Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material.
9. A bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit.
10. All burning shall not be less than 75 feet from any public or private roadway.
11. All burning is subject to the regulations listed under Section 307 of the International Fire Code, as adopted.

SPECIAL NOTICE: If a burning ban goes into effect during the time frame of your burning permit dates, you will be notified by the township office that your permit is being revoked, and you must stop burning immediately.