

## Dexter Area Fire Department

## **OPEN BURNING**

## Things you need to know before you burn.

- You must obtain a <u>burning permit</u> from the fire department <u>before</u> you burn.
- Only <u>natural</u> materials may be burned. (brush, leaves, logs, weeds, stumps etc.)
- Processed lumber cannot be burned. (plywood, treated lumber, R/R ties, etc.)
- No trash or manmade debris is to be burned.
- All open burning must be attended and controlled for the duration of the fire.
- No burning after dark or before dawn. (camp fires are permitted with a permit)
- Campfires must be kept to minimum size.
- Hint: if the fire makes black smoke, you are probably burning something illegal.
- The Michigan Department of Natural Resources regulates all open burning per Public Act 451 of 1994.
- The Michigan Department of Natural Resources or the Fire Chief may issue a ban on open burning when conditions are to dry.
- You are liable for your open burn, if it gets out of control you will be responsible for all damages occurred. Please use extreme caution.

Burn permits may be obtained at no cost by calling the Dexter Area Fire Department at (734) 426-4500 between 7a.m. – 7 p.m. 7 days a week

For more information please contact the Dexter Area Fire Department.