



GUIDELINES FOR OPEN BURNING

Please observe the following rules when burning brush:

1. Open Burning is regulated by the General Statutes of Connecticut, Volume 8, Title 22a Environmental Protection, Chapter 446c Air Pollution Control, Section 22a-174(i) and the General Statutes of Connecticut, Volume 8, Title 23 Parks, Forests and Public Shade Trees, Chapter 449 Fire Wardens, Sections 23-48 and 23-49a.
2. Per CT General Statutes, section 23-48: Any person violating this Statute is subject to fines not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) or imprisonment not more than six (6) months or both.
3. **Obtain a permit for Open Burning from the Granby Fire Marshal's.** Permit fee is \$25.00 and is non-refundable, payable at fire marshal's or building official's offices.
4. You will receive a copy of the signed permit from Open Burning Officer.
5. On the day you intend to burn, check the weather report to ensure that the day will be partly sunny and have calm winds. Open burning is prohibited on an overcast or rainy day.
6. Residents must check the **Air Quality Index (AQI)** before burning (www.ct.gov/deep/aqi). Burning must not take place if index is predicted to be 75 or higher in ANY town listed. 
7. Residents must check the **Fire Danger Level** by going to: www.ct.gov/deep/forestfiredanger. Burning must not take place if the danger level is high, very high, or extreme. 
8. Inform the Granby Police Department (**860-844-5335**) **BEFORE** you begin to burn.
9. The Permittee must stay with the brush pile until it is completely extinguished, have water accessibility on site, and have necessary tools available: rake, shovel, pick.
10. Feed the fire gradually to maintain control of the burning and keeping the brush pile low.
11. Burn only **brush or logs** which must be **3 inches or less in diameter**.
12. Inform adjacent neighbors on the day you will burn.
13. Respect burning hours: **10AM to 5PM**.
14. Inform the Granby Police Department when you have completed burning (**860-844-5335**)
15. **NO BURNING of CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS OR STUMPS** – No exceptions!

Please follow common sense ensuring everyone's safety!

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