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Guidelines for Recreational Fires

Campfire, Bonfires, Fire Pits, Chimineas and other similar devices.

Recreational burning, through the burning of wood in a campfire, bonfire, chiminea or other similar device, must also follow the guidelines of Daily Forest Fire Danger Report and Air Quality Index Report.

Town of Granby Recreational Fire Guidelines:

1. Keep your fires reasonable in size. Fires shall be so managed that the flames do not exceed three (3) feet above a fire pit and burning material is contained within the confines of the appliance/fire pit. Recreational fire appliances shall not be located on wooden or composite decks.
2. Keep fires at least 25 feet from important structures and 50 feet from grass land or woodland areas.
3. No burning shall take place if the forest fire danger is HIGH, VERY HIGH, or EXTREME. Use this link to determine fire danger.
<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Forestry/Forest-Fire/Forest-Fire-Danger-Report> 
4. No burning shall take place if the Air Quality Index is 75 or greater. Use this link to determine air quality.
<https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Air/Forecasting/AQI/Air-Quality-Index> 
5. Only clean dry wood may be burned, the diameter of which is not greater than three (3) inches at its widest point or longer the three (3) feet in length. No leaves, grass, trash, pallets, treated or painted wood, construction/demolition debris, rubber, plastic, textiles or petroleum-based materials and nothing that contains flammable or combustible liquids. **NO GASOLINE !**
6. Prevailing wind conditions shall be less than 10 miles per hour and shall not create a **nuisance*** for neighboring property owners.
7. Fires are permitted between 8:00 a.m. and midnight. Fires must be extinguished by midnight.
8. Fires must always be attended by at least one rational person deemed responsible (Age 18 or older).
9. Adequate fire suppression equipment such as shovels, fire extinguishers or a garden hose shall always be accessible while the fire is burning.
10. Should a fire be determined a nuisance* it shall be extinguished immediately.
11. These guidelines do not apply to grilling or cooking using charcoal, propane or natural gas in cooking/grilling appliances or barbeques being used for food preparation.

*Nuisance: shall mean a situation as observed by a town authority in which a fire creates an environment on or in a property, other than the property where the fire is occurring, which is considered to be unhealthy, hazardous, reasonably annoying, uncomfortable, unsafe, creating a traffic hazard, creating a persistent odor or would cost resources to eliminate the odor from the property. This shall apply to, but not be limited to smoke, soot, fumes, odors, vapors, noxious gases, products of combustion, heat and incomplete products of combustion.

Fires must be extinguished if deemed unsafe for any of the above-mentioned reasons or as instructed by the Fire Marshal, Police Officer or Fire Department official on scene.

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