

# The Township of Richfield

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**READ REVERSE SIDE BEFORE BURNING**

**You are subject to fines if rules not followed.**

**RICHFIELD TOWNSHIP, DAVISON, MI**

**BURN PERMIT**

Permission is hereby granted to the property owner(s) and/or permitted person listed below to lawfully burn only at their property listed below.

All burning shall be done in accordance with and under the provisions of Richfield Township Ordinance No. 145.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant(s) / Permitted person(s)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Numbers

**FIRE DEPARTMENT – 653-5671**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Property Address

**THIS PERMIT MAY BE REVOKED**

**This permit is void if a Fire Ban is in effect.**

**2020 Permit Valid only from January 1<sup>st</sup> thru December 31, 2020**

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**No fire shall be set after the expiration of this permit, and no fire shall be set at a time when a high wind is blowing. An adequate fire line shall be made around the area to be burned and a force of sufficient personnel to control the fire shall be on hand at the time of burning. Permitted persons shall be liable for all damage to property, which may result from burning done under this permit.**

Issued by \_\_\_\_\_  
**Authorized Representative – Township of Richfield**

1. Fires must be “Brush or Firewood” only. Building materials, grass, leaves, garbage, or other trash cannot be burned.
2. All fires must be at least 50 feet from all structures.
3. The area must be cleared around the fire area so that the fire will not spread.
4. The bonfire cannot be larger than 5 feet x 5 feet.
5. Do not start your fire if there is a high wind or if the smoke from it would be offensive to your neighbors.
6. Fires must be attended to at all times.
7. Make sure buckets of water or a garden hose are on hand to put the fire out if needed.
8. Fires must be completely out when you are done.
9. Please let your neighbors know that you are having a fire so that they know you have a permit to burn and will not be calling the fire department because they think you are burning illegally.
10. **Burning rules must be followed, or you may be subject to a citation with fines.**
11. Burn permit must be available for inspection by fire or police personnel upon request.
12. Last of all, enjoy your bonfire or campfire, and practice fire safety everyday.

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## **General Prohibitions on Open Burning and Outdoor Burning**

- (1) Open burning of refuse from a commercial or industrial establishment is prohibited.
- (2) Construction and demolition waste, hazardous substances including but not limited to batteries, household chemicals, pesticides, used oil, gasoline, paints, varnishes, and solvents, furniture and appliances, tires, any plastic materials including but not limited to nylon, PVC, ABS, polystyrene or urethane foam, and synthetic fabrics, plastic films and plastic containers, treated or painted wood including but not limited to plywood, composite wood products or other wood products that are painted, varnished or treated with preservatives, household garbage, buildings, **leaves and grass clippings are not to be burned.**
- (3) All allowed open burning shall be conducted in a safe, nuisance-free manner, when wind and weather conditions minimize adverse effects and do not create a health hazard or a visibility hazard on roadways, railroads or airfields. Open burning shall be conducted only on the property on which the materials were generated. Open burning shall be conducted in conformance with all local and state fire protection regulations.
- (4) When weather conditions warrant, the Township may temporarily suspend issuing burning permits and may temporarily suspend previously issued burning permits for open burning.
- (5) Open burning under this permit shall only be conducted at a location at least 50 feet from any structure.
- (6) Except for bonfires/campfires, open burning shall only be conducted between sunrise and one-half hour following sunset.
- (7) Open burning shall be constantly attended and supervised by a competent person of at least eighteen (18) years of age until the fire is extinguished and is cold.
- (8) A burning permit issued under this ordinance shall require compliance with all applicable provisions of Ordinance #145.
- (9) Any violation of the conditions of a burning permit shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance. Any violation of this ordinance or the burning permit shall also void the permit.
- (10) The Fire Department and/or Township Police may enter onto property to inspect for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.
- (11) Any person in violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance or who fails to comply with a duly authorized order issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be deemed to be responsible for a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not more than \$500.00, imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both. Each day that a violation of this Ordinance exists shall constitute a separate violation of this Ordinance.
- (12) A person utilizing or maintaining an open or outdoor burn in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall also be responsible for all fire suppression costs or other enforcement expenses related to the violation.

**Ordinance # 145 Adopted: March 13, 2007 - Effective: April 21,2007**

### ***KEEP YOUR FIRE SAFE***

By signing this permit I acknowledge that I have read and understand the listed provisions of Richfield Township Ordinance #145. I further acknowledge that I am aware of my responsibilities and liabilities that come with the issuance of this permit.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Witnessed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_