

APPLICATION FOR OPEN BURNING PERMIT

SPRINGFIELD OUTDOOR AIR QUALITY
DEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, 290 E CENTRAL, SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802
(417) 864-1905 /fax 864-1906 airquality@springfieldmo.gov

The undersigned hereby applies for a permit to conduct open burning and has been advised of the regulations governing open burning in the City of Springfield. (Open Burning regulations and helpful instructions are on the second page of this application.)

Applicant Name & Company _____ Ph: _____

Burn site Owner Name _____ Ph: _____

Address _____ E-mail _____

Type of material to be burned: _____

Only tree trunks, tree limbs, leaves, and brush originating from the site may be burned. For permits allowing the burning of untreated wood, only waste meeting the definition of "untreated wood" may be burned. Open burning of tree trunks, tree limbs and vegetation from land clearing operations is allowed and should be at least 200 yards from the nearest inhabited dwelling and 100 yards from the nearest public roadway. Materials such as tires or used oil may not be used to start the fires or be burned in the fires.

Address of burn location: _____

A description of the proposed equipment and operating practices: _____

Proposed schedule for open burning: _____

Reasons why no other practical method except open burning can be employed to dispose of refuse:

The undersigned applicant hereby declares that he is the owner or a duly authorized agent of the owner of the property described in this application, and that he will accept full responsibility for the conduct of any open burning permitted by the approval of this application and the issuance of a permit.

A signed waiver form (see page 3) by home/business occupants is required when vegetative waste is to be burned within 200 yards of any occupied structure. Signatures Required: Yes ___ No ___

Applicant's Signature

Date

Open Burning Permit Fee is \$149.00. Payment is due upon issuance of permit.

Make checks payable to: City of Springfield. Payment by credit card may be arranged by calling 417-864-1905 in advance.

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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This burn permit application is only applicable to properties located inside the Springfield Missouri City Limits.
2. The quickest response time for a burn permit can be obtained by emailing the application and a site map, drawing, or aerial photo showing the location of the burn pile(s) on to airquality@springfieldmo.gov. A program such as Google Earth will allow you to mark the locations and draw a circular 200-yard radius from those locations. This will show you, and the reviewer of your application, if there are any occupied structures that require notification and signatures. You may also use the Greene County Missouri Assessor's website (<https://greenecountymo.gov/assessor/>) or the City's geographic data viewer (<http://maps.springfieldmo.gov/publicviewer/>) to assist you. If you are unfamiliar with using mapping programs, you may contact Springfield Outdoor Air Quality for assistance.
3. If there are no structures within 200 yards of your burn pile(s) and it is located 100 yards from the nearest public roadway, you only need to send the completed application and marked map, drawing, or photo. If there are such structures, you are required to obtain signatures from a representative of each home or business using the form on page 3. Waivers are required so that neighboring property owners are aware of your intent to burn and acknowledge that they have been notified of such activity. This is to help reduce concerns and prevent unnecessary calls to the local fire department. If you visit a home or business twice and are unable to contact anyone, note that on the form.

Permits are initially approved for a 3-month period and may be extended up to 1 year for the same site, upon review and approval by Outdoor Air Quality.

RESTRICTIONS

1. The burning of leaves, refuse, or trade waste is not allowed.
2. Only vegetative waste originating from the site may be burned.
3. No person shall cause, permit or allow a salvage operation to be conducted in whole or in part by open burning.
4. Open burning may only take place between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. and must be extinguished at the end of each burn day.
5. A responsible person must be in attendance with adequate fire extinguishing equipment at all times during the open burning operation.
6. The Fire Department must be called at 417-862-7911 for daily approval before burning may begin.
7. Wind speeds must be less than 15mph during the entire day.
8. This permit is subject to revocation if valid complaints are received concerning the open burning operation.
9. Failure to comply with any of the above restrictions may result in the issuance of a court summons and revocation of this permit.