

**Fire Protection and Prevention**

**FORM III: OPEN BURNING PERMIT FORM AND GUIDELINES.**

**CITY OF LINCOLNTON OPEN BURNING PERMIT  
(Within 100 Feet of a Structure or Bonfires)**

I do hereby give permission to \_\_\_\_\_ to burn  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.

Burning is to follow all EPA regulations, North Carolina Forestry Service Statutes, and the city's fire prevention and protection regulations.

Open burning of leaves, tree branches or yard trimmings originating on the premises of private residences and burned on those premises in areas where no public pickup facilities are available and the burning is done between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. and shall not create a nuisance. Bonfires used for ceremonial and religious purposes (schools, civic groups, churches) may take place after 6:00 p.m. when all regulations are met. Materials used for bonfires must also comply with the EPA regulations.

Burning to take place on (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (date) \_\_\_\_\_ and shall not create a nuisance. If three or more separate complaints from businesses or homes are received during the burning, it shall be ceased and all fires will be extinguished.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Responsible Party

\_\_\_\_\_  
Issued By

Burning under authority of this permit does not release the permit holder from complying with EPA (North Carolina Air Pollution Control Requirements), North Carolina Forest Service Statues and the city's fire prevention and protection regulations.

If at any time during the burning, the regulations regarding open burning are not met or are neglected in any way, the fire shall be extinguished and a civil citation may be issued.

I have read the guidelines for open burning and received a copy of those guidelines.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Responsible Party

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witnessed By

**Lincolnton - Land Usage**

**GUIDELINES FOR BURNING PERMITS  
(Within 100 feet of a Structure or for Bonfires)**

**Initial:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Yard trimmings only (leaves, limbs, grass, vines and the like).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Must originate on the premises.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Burning is done between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bonfires may be done after 6:00 p.m. (Bonfires must meet bonfire requirements.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ There are no public trash pickup facilities.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fire must be at least 50 feet from any structure and must not spread to within 50 feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fire must not create a nuisance when burned.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A competent person shall constantly attend the fire until the fire is extinguished.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Must provide fire control tools to match the size of the pile being burned (garden hoses, rakes, shovels, extra help and the like).
- \_\_\_\_\_ No rubbish or waste material are to be burned (furniture, old tires, shingles and the like).
- \_\_\_\_\_ Piles of material shall not exceed 30 feet in diameter, ten feet in height, or 10,000 cubic feet.
- \_\_\_\_\_ An area ten feet wide shall be cleared completely around the material to be burned.
- \_\_\_\_\_ A copy of the air quality regulations has been furnished.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I was advised that this permit does not release me from compliance with all open burning regulations.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If a burning ban has been issued all fires shall be extinguished immediately.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If at any time during the burning, the regulations regarding open burning are not met or are neglected in any way, the fire will be extinguished and a civil citation may be issued.

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Responsible Party

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Witnessed By

