

General Information:

1. No person shall set or permit a fire in Open Air in the Township of Puslinch without a current valid Open Air Burning Permit issued at least one (1) day prior.
2. The permit is valid for the current calendar year in which it is issued.
3. No person under the age of eighteen (18) shall light or ignite an Open Air Fire.
4. A permit is non-transferable and must be available for viewing at the burn site upon request.
5. Failure to comply with any and all of the provisions in By-Law Number No. 45/14, as amended will result in an immediate revocation of the Permit. Those found to be in violation or those who conduct open air burning without a Burn Permit will be liable for all costs incurred by the Township of Puslinch for any Emergency Response. Costs are identified in the Township's User Fees and Charges By-law.

Do Burn:

6. With a person in constant watch over the fire until it is extinguished.
7. With proper extinguishing agents on hand at all times.
8. Between the hours of 07:00am and 09:00pm, unless otherwise permitted by the By-law or expressly authorized by the Fire Chief.
9. To a maximum size of one (1) meter in width and height - only unpainted wood, organic materials, ground cover and paper products.
10. At least fifteen (15) meters from any building, structure, hedge, fence, highway, or overhead wire.
11. With at least a five (5) meter perimeter area around the fire that is free and clear of combustible articles and ground cover.
12. Within all terms and conditions or By-law No. 45/14, as amended and all understood enforcement and penalty provisions.

Do Not Burn:

13. During a fire ban (see www.puslinch.ca for details) or during a smog alert (Environment Canada at (800)-265-8658).
14. When the wind speed exceeds sixteen (16) kilometers per hour.
15. If the fire creates a nuisance or has an adverse effect on a neighbouring property owner.
16. In a way that causes excessive smoke (no tires, asphalt, etc.).

In the interest of public safety, the Township of Puslinch and Puslinch Fire and Rescue Services reserve the right to issue a ban or temporarily suspend all approval for open air burning. Should conditions warrant such action, any person found to be conducting open air burning in contravention of such a ban is committing an offense under the Ontario Fire Code or the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

Release and Indemnity

In consideration of the granting of a permit by the Township to conduct open air burning: I hereby release and forever discharge and agree to indemnify and save harmless the Township of Puslinch and its servants and agents from any and all actions, cause of action, claims and demands, loss or injury to persons or property sustained by any person or persons in consequence of open air burning to be held on the above stated dates and locations, said burning to be the subject matter of the above application.

Protection of Privacy

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act and the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, as amended and will be used to determine the eligibility for a permit. The information is used for the purpose of processing this application and administering the legislation and is maintained in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Questions regarding the collection of this information may be directed to the Township Clerk's Office.

By submitting this permit, I (the Applicant) agree to comply to all conditions of this permit, By-law No. 45/14, as amended and applicable guidelines as indicated and shall ensure compliance and agree to be accountable. The Applicant agrees the Open Air Burning Permit is only valid once the permit has been paid for in full and printed by the Applicant. The permit shall be kept in the location as identified in the application.