



Mariemont Fire Department

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OPEN BURNING FACTS:

In the Village of Mariemont open burning is regulated. You are “open burning” anytime you light an outdoor fire.

Sources:

Southwest Ohio Air Quality Agency: <https://southwestohioair.org>

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency: <https://epa.ohio.gov>

Hamilton County Environmental Services: <https://hamiltoncountyohio.gov>

In Hamilton County, Ohio, open burning is generally permitted with certain restrictions depending on the purpose, location, and contents of the burn. Recreational fires made of clean firewood are typically allowed but burns for land clearing or agricultural purposes may require notification or permits.

Is it illegal to burn in Ohio right now?

Ohio Revised Code 1503.18 prohibits most open burning in March and April and then later in October and November. The ban is in place between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Fires allowed WITHOUT A PERMIT:

- Campfires, outdoor fireplace equipment (fires for cooking, warmth, or recreational purposes)
- Must be fueled with clean, seasoned firewood
- May not exceed 3ft. x 2ft.
- They may not cause a nuisance to neighbors
- Must be 25ft. from structure or in an approved container AND 15ft. away

MUST BE CONSTANTLY ATTENDED

**The above fires must not be used for waste disposal*

Bonfires/Ceremonial Fires: These may require a permit from Mariemont Fire Department and notification to the Ohio EPA or Hamilton County Environmental Services.

Safety and Distance Requirements:

- **Minimum Distance:** Open burning must be a certain distance from structures and property lines (e.g., 25 feet from buildings, 15 feet from property lines).
- **Extinguishing Equipment:** Fire extinguishing equipment must be readily available.