

OPEN BURNING APPLICATION and PERMIT

Pelican Rapids Fire Department

Date of Application:
Daily Hours: From: To:

Date of Expiration:

PERMITTEE INFORMATION

Applicant's Name:
Address:
City: State: Zip:
Telephone:

BURN PERMIT CONDITIONS:

(Check those that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Piled Material (Circle Fuel) Trees/Brush Other (Specify) Pile # _____ Size _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Special Conditions, if any.
<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing Attached

BURNSITE LOCATION

City Address

This permit is valid for open burning as allowed and specified in Pelican Rapids City Code 805.04, MN Rules parts 7005, 0705 to 7005, 0805, MS 88.16, Minnesota State Fire Code. The Permittee is granted permission to burn the above described materials at the specified location during the permitted period.

FIRE SAFETY AND AIR QUALITY REQUIREMENTS

I Agree:

- * To keep this fire under control and to assume responsibility for all damages and costs that may result from burning done under this permit.
- * To attend this fire until it is completely extinguished.
- * Not to burn if there is a practical alternative method for disposal of the material such as chipping or composting.
- * Not to burn paper, cardboard, or any other materials not allowed.
- * Not to conduct burning during any burning ban or air quality alert.
- * To use clean burning device to start the fire.
- * To extinguish the fire immediately if permit is revoked.
- * To have permit available at the burn site for inspection.
- * That fires will not be allowed to smolder without flame.
- * That NO material may be brought in to be burned from another site.
- * That prevailing wind must be away from nearby occupied buildings.

*****IN ORDER TO AVOID ANY FIRE CALL FEES, THE PERMIT HOLDER IS REQUIRED TO CALL OTTER TAIL COUNTY DISPATCH AT 218-998-8555 AND INFORM THEM OF THE OPEN BURN.**

Prohibited Materials Are:

- * Oils, rubber, plastics, tires and chemically treated materials such as railroad ties, treated lumber, composite shingles, tar paper, insulation, composition board, sheet rock, wiring, paint, hazards and industrial solid waste.

The Fire Chief, Fire Marshal, Asst. Fire Marshal, DNR forest officer, or other authorized city agent may revoke this permit at their discretion, should any or all of the following conditions exist:

1. A fire hazard exists or develops during the course of the burn.
2. A public safety hazard exists or may exist if the burn is implemented or is allowed to continue.
3. Any conditions agreed to have been violated.

I, attest, by signature, that I have read and will comply with the fire safety and air quality requirements listed with this permit and other conditions which have been placed on this particular permit. I also attest that I am the landowner or have permission of the landowner to burn at the above burn site location.

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT VIOLATIONS OF PERMIT CONDITIONS MAY SUBJECT ME TO CRIMINAL AND/OR CIVIL ACTIONS AND/OR REVOCATION OF BURN PERMIT PRIVILEGES IN THE FUTURE.

Permittee's Signature	Date

Fire Chief Signature **	Date
X	

**Upon the Fire Chief's signature, this form acts as the issued permit.

804.05 EXCEPTIONS

Regardless of the following provisions set forth in this Section 804.05, the City of Pelican Rapids reserves the right to reject any and all burning permits in the event the City of Pelican Rapids determines that it is not in the best interests of the public's safety, health or general welfare.

Open burning permits may be issued under any of the following circumstances:

- A. By obtaining a permit from the City of Pelican Rapids, which may be issued only for purposes of burning of native prairie grass areas and grass land conducted by professionals acceptable to the City for purposes of establishment or enhancement of native prairie grasses. The City shall have the right to impose any requirements and restrictions on the permit that it deems necessary to promote and protect the public health, safety and general welfare. The application fee for such permit shall be set by the City Council and may be changed from time to time by City Council or,
- B. By obtaining a permit from the City of Pelican Rapids for the purposes of:
 - 1. Removal of brush piles and organic material; or
 - 2. Ground thawing for utility repair and construction; or
 - 3. Elimination of fire of health hazard that cannot be abated by other practical means.

With regard to any permit contemplated above in Section 804.05, Subdivision B, the following subdivisions shall apply:

- (i) A new permit is required for each open burn and open burn permits will be limited to two per parcel per calendar year;
- (ii) An open burning permit shall require a fee. Permit fees shall be set annually by City Council. However, the City Council may at other times amend its fee as it deems necessary;
- (iii) Upon receipt of the completed open burning permit application and permit fee, the Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief shall schedule a preliminary site inspection to locate the proposed burn site, note special conditions, and set dates and time of permitted burn and review fire safety considerations;
- (iv) Prior to starting an open burn, the permit holder shall be responsible for confirming that no burning ban or air quality alert is in effect. Every open burn event shall be constantly attended by the permit holder. The open burning site shall have available, appropriate communication and fire suppression equipment as set out in the fire safety plan;
- (v) The open burn fire shall be completely extinguished before the permit holder leaves the site. No fire may be allowed to smolder with no person present. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to have a valid permit, as required by this section, available for inspection on the site by the Police Department, Fire Department, MPCA representative or DNR forest officer;
- (vi) The permit holder is responsible for compliance and implementation of all general conditions, special conditions, and the burn event safety plan as established in the permit issued. The permit holder shall be responsible for all costs arising out of, in connection with, the open burn in question;
- (vii) The open burning permit is subject to revocation at the discretion of DNR forest officer, the Fire Chief, Assistant Fire Chief, Fire Marshal, or Assistant Fire Marshals. Reasons for revocation include but are not limited to a fire hazard existing or developing during the course of the burn, any of the conditions of the permit being violated during the course of the burn, pollution or nuisance conditions developing during the course of the burn, or a fire smoldering with no flame present;
- (viii) If established criteria for the issuance of an open burning permit are not met during review of the application, or if it is determined that a practical alternative method for disposal of the material exists, or if it is determined that a pollution or nuisance condition would result, or if it is determined that a burn event safety plan cannot be drafted to the satisfaction of the Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief, then said Fire Chief or Assistant Fire Chief may deny the application for the open burn permit; and
- (ix) No recreational fire or open burn will be permitted when the city or DNR has officially declared a burning ban due to potential hazardous fire conditions or when the MPCA has declared an Air Quality Alert.