



City of  
**Faribault**



To apply for a Burning Permit within the city limits of the City of Faribault:

1. Print this form
2. Fill out the *Permittee Information* and sign under *Permittee Signature*
3. Scan and email it to Dustin Dienst, Fire Chief at [ddienst@ci.faribault.mn.us](mailto:ddienst@ci.faribault.mn.us)
4. Fire Department Staff will review the permit and look at the burn site location if necessary
5. If approved, your permit will be signed and emailed back to you
6. To activate your permit, you must call the Fire Department and follow instructions listed on the permit

**CITY OF FARIBAULT OPEN BURNING PERMIT**  
**\*PRIOR TO BURNING YOU MUST CALL 507-339-3103\***

<p><b><u>Permittee Information</u></b></p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Telephone Number: _____</p> <p><b><u>Burn Site Location:</u></b></p> <p>If location of burn site is different that the address listed above, indicate below:</p> <p>Address: _____</p>	<p><b><u>Burning Permit Conditions/Requirements:</u></b></p> <p>This permit is only valid for trees, brush, clean unpainted lumber or other dry vegetative material.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> PILED (<i>Circle fuel</i>)        Trees/Brush/Clean unpainted lumber/        # Piles: _____ Pile size in feet: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> RUNNING FIRE        Size of burn is limited to less that 1 acre (approx. 200 ft. x 200 ft.)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Special conditions: <b><u>May burn in ONLY LOW WIND conditions</u></b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Special conditions: _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Special conditions: _____</p>
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**Permit Activation Instructions:**

Each time you burn, you must call the Faribault Fire Department at **507-339-3103** at least one hour prior to igniting the fire. If your call is not answered, leave a message with your name, phone number, and the date and time you would like to burn. Fire Department Staff will return your call as soon as possible. Do not ignite the fire until Fire Department Staff permits it. Log the name of the individual you spoke with each time you burn.

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Name and Date                              Name and Date                              Name and Date

- 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 completely extinguished.
  - To have this permit available at the burn site for inspection.
  - Not to burn if there is a practical alternative method for disposal of the material such as chipping, composting or recycling.
  - To use a clean burning device to start the fire.
  - Not to conduct burning during any air quality alert.
  - Not to burn prohibited materials listed below unless authorized under Minnesota Statutes.
  - To extinguish the fire immediately if this permit is revoked.
  - That this permit fire will not be allowed to smolder without flame
  - That I will abide by all MN statutes and local ordinances pertaining to open burning.

- Requirements (unless stated otherwise in special conditions above):**
- Prevailing wind must be away from nearby occupied buildings, public roads, airports, and landing strips;
  - Smoke must not be a hazard to the public;
  - Permittee must be at least 18 years of age;
  - Burning is prohibited below the ordinary high-water mark of public waters except for agricultural operations or for the purposes of managing forests, prairies or wildlife habitat;
  - No open burning shall be conducted within 50 feet of a residence of another person, without his or her written permission.

This permit is for open burning as allowed and specified in Minnesota Statutes (M.S. 88.16) and local ordinances. The permittee is granted permission to burn the above described materials at the specified location(s) during the conditions listed above. I attest, by my signature, that I have read the details of this permit and will comply with the conditions of, and any attachments to this permit; and that I am the landowner or have the written permission of the landowner to burn at the above burn site location; and that I will activate this permit each day prior to ignition. Violations of permit conditions may subject Permittee to criminal and/or civil actions. Permit must be in your possession when burning.

**UNDER M.S. 88.171, PROHIBITED MATERIALS INCLUDE** (but are not limited to): garbage, 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, hazardous and industrial solid waste.

**BY SIGNING THIS PERMIT, YOU AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN ARTICLE III OF THE FARIBAULT CITY CODE REGARDING OPEN BURNING.**

Permittee Signature: _____	Date: _____	Approving Authority Signature: _____	Date: _____
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# REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE, AND COMPOST

## **General Recommendations:**

- ✓ Only light the number of piles that can be adequately supervised at any one time (maximum of 3).
- ✓ Have a water supply available and a means of dispensing it.
- ✓ Piles should be sufficiently spaced and away from surrounding vegetation so that the potential for radiant heat to ignite and spread the fire is eliminated. You should be able to comfortably stand between the burning pile and any structure.
- ✓ Under no circumstances should any organic soils (peat) be allowed to ignite.
- ✓ By keeping piles small in size, clean of soil, and well spaced, you will be able to more efficiently control the amount of debris that is burning at any one time.
- ✓ When you think burning is complete, examine the ashes. Touch them to make sure they are cold. Use water as necessary to make sure it is out and cannot reignite.

## **Minnesota DNR burning permits only allow the burning of clean vegetative matter.**

This means unpainted, unstained and untreated wood and brush.

Unless restricted by local ordinances, you may also burn:

- Grass clippings

Permits DO NOT allow the burning of:

- Painted wood or Paper
- Plastic or other prohibited materials
- Garbage

## **Why does this matter?**

Burning garbage or treated materials releases toxins that contaminate our air, water and soil. These toxins can cause serious health problems including cancer.

## **Is this a new concern?**

No, household garbage burning has been illegal in Minnesota since 1969. New reports show that backyard garbage burning is now the LARGEST source of deadly dioxins in the United States.

## **Dispose of your garbage the safe way!**

- Recycle or reuse
- Compost or chip yard waste
- Use garbage services

**If you are burning garbage, you may be making poison.**