



CITY OF JOSHUA OPEN BURNING REQUEST

Property Owner/Occupant: _____ Phone #: _____

Location of Burn: _____

Date of Burn: _____

Additional Details about Burn: _____

PROHIBITED BURNING

1. Open Burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions where atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited.
2. Open Burning on a windy day when wind gusts are 15 mph or higher.
3. When Fire Marshal or DESIGNEE determines that burning is unsafe due to current atmospheric conditions to burn location conditions, i.e., too dry, too windy, burn location too close to structures or other neighboring property or facilities.

LOCATION

1. Open Burning shall NOT BE LESS than 50 feet from any structure. Distance may be increased by order of the Fire Marshal dependent upon the size of the burn or type of nearby structures. **Contact the Fire Marshal before establishing any large burn pile to avoid the necessity of moving the pile due to proximity to structures.**
2. Burn pile shall be separated from any vegetation by a fire break. Size of fire break shall be determined by the Fire Marshal.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Open Burning SHALL BE attended at all times until the fire is fully extinguished.
2. A continuous water supply from a garden hose with nozzle shall be available in immediate proximity to the burn.
3. A portable fire extinguisher or approved on-site fire extinguishing equipment such as dirt, sand, water barrel, or water truck shall be available for immediate use. Type of approved extinguishment materials are to be determined by the Fire Marshal.
4. **This request does not grant any authority to violate any laws set forth by the City of Joshua, the State of Texas, or the Federal Government. It is the responsibility of the land owner/occupant to abide by all rules and regulations as established by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.**
5. **Fire may not be initiated less than one (1) hour after sunrise and must be extinguished no less than one (1) hour before sunset.**

INSPECTION

1. All open burning sites shall be inspected **before ignition**. Burn pile must be completed at inspection (see comment above under LOCATION 1).
2. The Fire Marshal or his/her designee shall perform the inspection.

***** NOTIFY JOHNSON COUNTY FIRE DISPATCH PRIOR TO IGNITING BURN PILE, AT 817-357-8800 *****

Approved: _____ Date: _____

Disapproved: _____ Date: _____