

Open Burning Under Missouri Regulations

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

as enforced in Rock Community F.P.D. jurisdiction

St. Louis metropolitan area: The geographical area comprising St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties and the city of St. Louis. These counties are also currently a nonattainment area for ground-level ozone.

St. Louis metropolitan area: Open burning of household refuse is prohibited in the St. Louis Metropolitan area.

Wastes that may not be burned include but are not limited to tires, rubber products, hazardous materials, styrofoam, plastics, petroleum based products, demolition waste, treated wood and any asbestos containing material.

Open Burning of Yard Wastes

General Provisions: Missouri allows open burning of yard wastes from sites provided it originates and is burned on the same premises. Materials such as tires or used oil may not be used to start the fires or be burned in the fires. Yard waste includes trees, tree leaves, brush or other vegetation.

St. Louis metropolitan area: Open burning of trees, tree leaves or brush is allowed only in areas outside of incorporated municipalities from Sept. 16 to April 14 of each calendar year. These brush piles are limited to a base of 16 square feet and the burning is allowed from 10 a.m. through 4 p.m.

The City of Arnold and City of Kimmswick are prohibited from open burning.

Per Rock Community Ordinance weather conditions determine if it is appropriate to burn on a daily basis.

****Call 636-282-1500 Monday through Friday prior to lighting your fire (not before 9:30 am).**

****Call 636-464-1700 Saturday or Sunday prior to lighting your fire (not before 9:30 am).**

Permits are still required for bonfires

For More Information

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