



SPRINGFIELD FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

Box 219, 628 Main St., Oakbank, MB R0E 1J0



PERMIT TO BURN

Burning permits are required by all those wishing to set open-air fires in the Rural Municipality of Springfield as stipulated in The Fire Prevention and Emergency Response Bylaw #05-25 Section 8, Provisions of the Wildfires Act, within 1.6 kilometers of Birds Hill Provincial Park boundary specifically the following geographic areas. Sections 11 & 12 of Township 12, Range 4E and Sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 22, 27, 28, & 33 in Township 12, Range 5E. An open air fire are those fires set for the purposes of cooking, heating or recreational use and are subject to conditions on this permit.

Authority is hereby granted to _____ (owner/agent) of _____

(civic address number) _____ (road name) _____

mailing address _____ in the municipality of Springfield to set an open-air fire at the above mentioned property during the wildfire season deemed to be April 15th, to November 15, of each calendar year and subject to the following conditions and the provisions of the Rural Municipality of Springfield Fire Prevention and Emergency Response By-Law #05-25 including the Wildfires Act.

Burning Permit Conditions

No person shall start an outdoor fire in a burning permit area during the wildfire season, except under the authority of a burning permit.

Every person who starts a fire under the authority of a permit shall:

- a. Keep the permit or a copy of it at the site of the fire,
- b. Show the permit to an officer on request,
- c. Keep the fire under control
- d. Ensure that at the site of the fire there are sufficient responsible persons and equipment to extinguish it if necessary and
- e. Extinguish all fire authorized by the permit on the cancellation, suspension or expiry of the permit.

Where the Rural Municipality incurs costs, expenses, loss or damage as a result of:

- a. Wildfire Protection operations,
- b. Enforcing an officer's order which was not obeyed or
- c. Fire loss.

The Rural Municipality is entitled to be reimbursed by the person who caused the municipality to incur costs, expenses, loss or damage, and the amount of costs, expenses, loss or damage is a debt due and owing to the municipality.

No person in the burning permit area shall cause a fire to be started in order to guard property, clear land or burn debris, crops, stubble or garbage unless the land on which the fire is started is completely surrounded by a strip of land not less than six meters wide, and the strip is free of combustible material and covered by snow or water.

No person in the burning permit area shall start a fire without taking sufficient precautions to ensure that the fire can be kept under control or when weather conditions are conducive to the fire burning out of control.

No person who ignites an open-air fire shall not leave the fire unattended at any time while it is burning or smoldering. Persons with open-air fires shall ensure that sufficient equipment and or water is available to prevent the fire from getting beyond their control.

An open-air fire shall be limited in size so as to be easily controlled/extinguished by persons and equipment on site.

An open-air fire shall be a minimum of 10 feet within combustibles.

If an officer deems the fire to be a hazard or a nuisance, it shall be extinguished.

If an officer deems the smoke obscures a public roadway or creates a nuisance/fire hazard for neighboring residents, it shall be extinguished.

The Authority of Jurisdiction (Springfield Fire and Rescue Service) can on issue an all out complete burning ban as deemed necessary for part of or the entire geographic area of the municipality when extreme fire conditions exist. All fire permits will be suspended during these times until fire conditions improve. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to stay informed of such conditions and check with the Authority Having Jurisdiction by visiting the Home page under Municipal notice heading of the Rural Municipality of Springfield Website at mofspringfield.ca or by calling 981-4042 for updates.

Issued on _____

Signature _____
Fire Chief

Declaration of Permit Holder/Owner/Agent: I understand the conditions under which this permit is issued and agree to abide by thereby.

Signature _____
Permit Holder/Owner/Agent