

CITY OF ANAHUAC

OUTDOOR BURN RULES

The following information addresses the types of materials which can be legally burned, and the hours and days that outdoor burning is permitted. Please help us keep our City safe from fire hazards!

Steps to follow:

- 1.) Go to City Hall to pick up your free permit to burn inside of City Limits.
Contact City Hall at: (409)-267-6681
- 2.) This number is not for reporting emergencies; **to report a fire or other emergency, dial 911. Likewise, 911 is not to be used for reporting controlled burn information.**

Rules for Burning:

- 1.) You may burn brush, leaves, untreated lumber, or any other natural product on the land from which it was cleared. You **MAY NOT** burn insulation (electrical or otherwise), treated or painted lumber, plastics, sheetrock, shingles, carpet, rubber products, paints, oils, house hold trash, or **any material brought onto the site from elsewhere**, including brush cleared from another location.
- 2.) **Absolutely no burning after dark** (except as outlined in #7). Hours of burning are from **one hour AFTER sunrise** to **one hour BEFORE sunset**. No additional material may be added to the fire that would cause burning to extend past this time.
- 3.) An adequate supply of water to control the burn is required at the site.
- 4.) A competent person of at least **18 years of age** must be in attendance at the site during the **entire burn**.
- 5.) No burning is allowed on days the wind is, or expected to be, in excess of 10 miles per hour.

- 6.) **Burning shall not be conducted during periods of actual or predicted persistent low-level atmospheric temperature inversions. No burning will be allowed during BURN BANS.** Burn bans will remain in effect until the Fire Marshall rescinds the Burn Ban.
- 7.) Fires 3 feet or less in diameter (no permit needed), are allowed when used solely for recreational purposes, in the noncommercial preparation of food, or exclusively as a means to provide warmth in cold weather.
Exempt from these rules outlined in #7 is Anahuac Homecoming Bonfire. All safety requirements still apply.
- 8.) Fires 3 feet or less (height and length), permit not required.

VIOLATIONS

Violations of all these rules will likely result in the permit being revoked, fines imposed by the Fire Marshall or City Marshall, and the fire extinguished.

Authorization to conduct outdoor burning under the outdoor burning rules does not exempt or excuse any person responsible from the consequences, damages, or injuries resulting from the burning. Burning conducted in compliance with the outdoor burning rules must still comply with all other applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and orders of governmental entities having jurisdiction.