



## NEWARK FIRE DEPARTMENT

### FIRE PREVENTION

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Newark Fire Department  
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### What you need to know about cookouts and open burning

**Cookouts for food consumption and recreational fires shall be no larger than 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet high.** Larger fires such as bonfires may be permitted with special permission. Contact Fire Prevention for information.

**Only dry seasoned firewood may be burned to minimize smoke emissions.** Leaves, grass clippings, fresh cut twigs, or limbs are not permitted. These items produce large volumes of smoke. Any burning that produces objectionable or offensive smoke is prohibited.

**Your fire shall be no closer than 25 feet to any building.** If you are burning in an approved container such as an outdoor fireplace or Chiminea your fire shall be no closer than 15 feet to any structure.

**Your fire must be attended at ALL TIMES.** You should have some type of extinguishing equipment available such as a fire extinguisher or garden hose. Make sure the fire is completely extinguished at the conclusion of your cookout.

For additional questions not answered here please feel free to contact the Fire Prevention office during normal business hours at 740-670-7653 or 740-670-7654

### Additional information about open burning

Burning for waste disposal purposes is prohibited. Trash, tires, construction debris, etc cannot be burned and produces harmful emissions. Anyone caught burning such will have the fire extinguish and will be issued a citation, fines and or misdemeanor charges under City Ordinance 660.08

Do not burn on dry, windy, or damp days.

If we receive a complaint, we will come and check your fire.

Fires or smoke from fires cannot obscure visibility to roadways, railroads or airfields.

For more information visit the EPA website at  
<http://epa.ohio.gov/dapc/general/openburning.aspx>