

## OPEN BURNING FOR RECREATION

Open burning **does not require a fire permit** but **DOES** need to comply with these important fire safety requirements:

1. The size of the fire pile must not exceed 3 feet high and 3 feet in diameter.
2. Only natural woods can be burned - NO TRASH OR TREATED WOOD.
3. The fire must be contained in a fire pit or other non-combustible enclosure.
4. The fire must be no closer than 15 feet from any structure or other combustibles.
5. The fire must be no closer than 10 feet from a property line.
6. An adult must be in supervision at all times that the fire is burning.
7. Wind speeds must not exceed 15 mph.
8. The means to extinguish the fire must be provided, such as a garden hose or suitable fire extinguisher.
9. The Fire Chief may order the fire to be extinguished anytime it is deemed to be a hazard - or a nuisance if it generates smoke or odors that unreasonably interfere with the use or enjoyment of neighboring properties.

For questions, please contact the Cottage Grove Fire Department's fire prevention office at 651-458-2862.