

D. RESTRICTIONS: Any Open Burning shall be in accordance with the restrictions enumerated below:

1. The Open Burning of Landscape Waste or Brush shall only occur on the property upon which the Landscape Waste or Brush was generated. The Open Burning of any other materials is prohibited.

2. The following restrictions upon the Open Burning of Landscape Waste or Brush on the property upon which it was generated shall prevail:

a. Burning is permitted only on weekends, between dawn and dusk, during the months of October, November, April and May.

b. Burning is not permitted when the wind is in excess of 10 miles per hour.

c. Burning is not permitted of any material other than dry Landscape Waste and/or Brush.

d. Burning is not permitted on public or private roads, alleys, sidewalks or easements.

e. Burning is not permitted when it is a visibility hazard on roadways, railroad tracks or air fields.

E. CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS OF OPEN BURNING:

1. All Open Burning must be supervised by an individual at least 18 years of age until the fire is extinguished.

2. A fire extinguisher or water hose or other water source shall be available at the burning site.

3. It is the responsibility of the individual conducting the burning and the owner of the property to satisfactorily determine that all conditions upon burning as noted above are complied with during any burning.

4. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or allow any open or uncontrolled burning of Landscape Waste or Brush in violation of the above regulations and restrictions.

5. Any Ceremonial Fire (Bonfire) or Recreational Fire must be supervised by an individual at least 18 years of age or older.

6. The Village President or his designee shall have

the authority to waive all or part of the requirements of this Section in the event of emergencies.

F. ENFORCEMENT, VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES:

1. The Prairie Grove Police Department shall be primarily responsible for the enforcement of this Section.

2. Any person who violates any provision of this Section shall be punished by a fine of \$250.00 for a first time offense and a fine of up to \$1,000 for offenses subsequent to the first offense. The burning of any toxic material and any prior violations of this Ordinance shall be considered factors in aggravation for purposes of the assessment of any fines.

Fire Protection District Information

Crystal Lake Rural Fire District

100 W. Woodstock Street

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Ph. 815-356-3640

Nunda Rural Fire District

1713 Route 176

Crystal Lake, IL 60014

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Village of Prairie Grove

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**Village Offices are located at:
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Prairie Grove, Illinois 60012
Tel: 815-455-1411**

**The Police Department is located at:
3121 Barreville Road
Prairie Grove, Illinois 60012
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For Emergencies Please Dial 9-1-1



Village of Prairie Grove Open Burning of Landscape Waste Ordinance

9.16 OPEN BURNING OF LANDSCAPE WASTE Ord. 542, Amended, 543 (8-21-2012)

A. DEFINITIONS: In addition to those terms defined in Appendix A of the Village Code, the following definitions are applicable to this Section.

Brush or Landscape Waste: Tree trunks, limbs, branches, leaves, shrubbery cuttings and twigs.

Ceremonial Fire (Bonfire): An outdoor fire larger than three feet by three feet by three feet which is used for entertainment purposes as part of a specifically scheduled public or private event and excludes leaves, grass or shrubbery clippings or cuttings.

Garbage: Any rejected or waste household food, offal, swill or carrion, and every accumulation of animal, fruit or vegetable matter that attends the preparation, use, cooking and dealing in, or storage of meats, fish, fowl, fruits or vegetable, and any other matter of any nature which are subject to decay, putrefaction and the generation of noxious or offensive gases or odor, or, which during or after decay, may serve as breeding or feeding material for flies or other germ-carrying insects.

Habitable Structure: Any Structure with electric and heat intended to be used for living, sleeping, eating, or assembly purposes including but not limited to residences, multi-family dwellings, churches, schools, food facilities and industrial buildings.

Litter: Any discarded, used or unconsumed substance or waste. Litter may include, but is not limited to, any Garbage, trash, refuse, debris, rubbish, newspaper, magazines, glass, metal, plastic or paper containers or other packaging construction material, motor vehicle parts, furniture, oil, carcass of dead animal, any nauseous or offensive matter of any kind, any object likely to injure any person or create a traffic hazard,

potentially infectious medical waste, or anything else of an unsightly or unsanitary nature, which has been discarded, abandoned or otherwise disposed of improperly.

Manure: The fecal and urinary defecations of livestock and poultry. Manure may often contain some spilled feed, bedding or Litter.

Non-Habitable Structure: Any Structure not identified as habitable as defined and would include but is not limited to garages, sheds, barns, and swimming pools.

Open Burning: The combustion of any matter in such a way that the products of the combustion are emitted to the open air without originating in or passing through equipment for which a permit could be issued under the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act.

Recreational Fire: A temporary outdoor fire for warmth, cooking for human consumption, or for nonceremonial purposes where the fire is not larger than three feet by three feet and excludes leaves, grass or shrubbery clippings or cuttings.

Structure: The results of a man-made change to the land constructed on or below the ground, including the construction, reconstruction or placement of a building or any addition to a building; installing a manufactured home on a site; preparing a site for a manufactured home or installing a recreational vehicle or travel trailer on a site for more than 180 consecutive days.

B. EXEMPTIONS:

1. Sections 9.16 C-1 and 2, 9.16-D-1, 2 and 3 and 9.16-E-2 shall not apply to:

a. Prescribed burns associated with ecologic restoration or natural landscape management, any burning of Landscape Waste for purposes of habitat reclamation, or firefighter training;

b. The burning of Brush for purposes of domestic fire-

places or cooking or external fire-places, or to self-contained outdoor wood-burning devices or fire-places;

c. The Open Burning of Brush for purposes of Recreational Fires; and

d. The Open Burning of Brush for purposes of Ceremonial Fires or Bonfires provided that notice of any Ceremonial Fire or Bonfire has been given to the Nunda Rural Fire Protection District or Crystal Lake Rural Fire Protection District. Failure to notify the Nunda Rural Fire Protection District or Crystal Lake Rural Fire Protection District and obtain permission therefrom prior to conducting a Ceremonial Fire utilizing Brush shall be deemed a violation of this Section.

C. PROHIBITIONS:

1. Open Burning of Landscape Waste shall not take place within 100 feet of a Habitable Structure.

2. Open Burning of Landscape Waste shall not take place less than 50 feet from any Non-Habitable Structure.

3. The burning of grass, paper, Manure, Garbage, Litter, refuse, hay or straw of any size, baled or unbaled, from whatever source is prohibited on any property within the Village.

4. The Village President, or his designee, shall have the authority to prohibit all Open Burning of Landscape Waste or Brush in the event of emergencies or conditions that may represent significant potential for fire safety issues. In such a situation, the Village President, or his designee, shall prepare and sign a proclamation to such effect, and publically distribute or publish in a manner deemed necessary.