

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLETON

BY-LAW NUMBER 2015-067

Being a by-law to regulate open air  
burning within the Township of  
Mapleton

**WHEREAS** Section 7.1 (1) of the Fire Prevention and Protection Act, 1997 provides that bylaws may be passed to regulate the setting of open air fires, including establishing the times during which open air fires may be set.

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAPLETON ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. All residents who wish to conduct open air fires within the Township of Mapleton that exceed a ground area of 2 meters x 2 meters shall comply with the following terms and conditions:
2. These terms and conditions will include;
  - a) Completion of the prescribed notification form which may be obtained from the municipal office during normal business hours, or from the Township's website;
  - b) Notification must be received at least 24 hours prior to the igniting of the open air burn;
  - c) Residents are permitted to indicate on the notification form, three consecutive days for the open air burn in order to accommodate unfavourable weather or wind conditions.
  - d) Upon receipt of such notification, Mapleton Township will forward the notification form to the Guelph Fire dispatch by fax.
  - e) Fire will not be ignited until one hour after sunrise and must be extinguished one hour before sunset.
  - f) A total burn ban will be put into effect by the Fire Chief or designate if dry-conditions make burning dangerous.
  - g) All open air fires within the Township of Mapleton shall be supervised, pose no risk to persons or buildings, shall not interfere with neighboring properties including smoke, ashes, or embers and shall not cause any interference to roadways. Burning materials must be wood or wood byproducts.
  - h) Any open air fires not exceeding a ground area of 2 meters x 2 meters do not require a notification permit prior to ignition, but the occupant will maintain responsibility for this open air burn.
3. Failure to comply with any part of this by-law shall be held liable for any and all costs incurred by the Township of Mapleton for emergency response, including prosecution against a property owner for non-compliance with the Ontario Fire Code or Fire Protection and Prevention Act, as set out in the Township's Fees and Charges by-law, as amended from time to time.
4. This by-law shall take effect and come into force upon final passing thereof.

**READ** a first, second and third time this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2015.



Mayor Neil Driscoll



CAO Clerk Patty Sinnamon



# TOWNSHIP OF MAPLETON

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## OPEN AIR BURNING NOTIFICATION

**LOCATION OF BURN SITE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE OF BURN:** \_\_\_\_\_

Notification can include up to three (3) consecutive days.

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** \*Include those 18 yrs. of age who may conduct open air burning

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**MAILING ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**TELEPHONE CONTACT:**  Business  Residence  Cell  Cottage

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**DESCRIPTION OF BURN SITE AND DETAILS OF MATERIALS BEING BURNED:**

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### RELEASE AND INDEMNITY

I hereby release and forever discharge and agree to indemnify and save harmless the Township of Mapleton and its servants and agents from any and all actions, cause of action, claims and demands, loss or injury to persons or property sustained by any person or persons in consequence of Open Air Burning to be held on the above stated date and locations, said burning being the subject matter of the above notification.

BY SIGNING THIS NOTIFICATION, I (THE APPLICANT) AGREE TO COMPLY WITH ALL CONDITIONS OF THE OPEN AIR BURNING BY-LAW (AS AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME)

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_



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### **OPEN AIR BURN NOTIFICATION**

**Should you have questions they may be directed to  
Fire Chief Rick Richardson @ 519-504-3055**

Those found to be in violation of the conditions as set out in the Open Air Burning By-law or those who conduct open air burning without proper notification to the Township shall be held liable for costs incurred by the Township of Mapleton Fire/Rescue for any emergency response. Those costs are identified in the fire department fees and charges By-law. Further, this department will proceed to prosecution against you as owner for non-compliance with article 2.6.3.4 of the Ontario Fire Code or the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

In the interest of public safety the Township of Mapleton Fire/Rescue reserves the right to issue a ban or temporarily suspend all open air burning. Should conditions as determined by the Township of Mapleton Fire/Rescue warrant such action, any person found to be conducting open air burning in contravention of such a ban is guilty of an offence under the Ontario Fire Code or the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

**Forms must be submitted and received at the Township office during regular office hours: 8am – 5pm Monday to Friday, a minimum of 24 hours prior to your burn date. Your notification is only valid once processed by Township staff.**