



Coteau Fire Protection District

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COTEAU FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OUTDOOR BURNING GUIDELINES

Outdoor (open) burning in the Coteau Fire Protection District, *when not in the connection with the preparation of food*, shall be in accordance with the following:

- Shall contain **only** natural vegetation.
- The prevailing winds shall be away from residential areas.
- May take place after **7:00 am** and be extinguished by **dusk**.
- Shall be under the direct supervision of an able-bodied, competent and shall not be left unattended.
- Shall have an adequate water supply to extinguish the fire.
- Shall be a minimum of **50 feet** away from any dwelling or structure located on the property on which the burning is to be conducted, or minimum of **1000 feet** away from any dwelling or structure not located on the property.
- Shall not be located on the curbside or public right of ways.
- Shall not become a nuisance.
 - ✿ Smoke entering a residence, business, or interfering with traffic on a roadway may be considered a nuisance and shall be extinguished upon the order of the Fire Department Incident Commander.
- Shall not contain:
 - ✿ Processed wood: any construction lumber, debris, fence boards, etc.
 - ✿ Plastic and other synthetic materials,
 - ✿ Tires and other rubber products,
 - ✿ Paints, household, and agricultural chemicals,
 - ✿ Asphalt shingles, heavy oils, wire,
 - ✿ Newspaper, cardboard, and other paper products,
 - ✿ Buildings and mobile homes,
 - ✿ Clothing, furniture, or other processed material.

Outdoor (open) burning is subject to applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations.



Russell Di Salvo, Jr.
Fire Chief

PARISH CODE TERREBONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA

Sec. 11-31. Littering, setting fires, etc.

- (a) No person, firm or corporation, individually or collectively, shall throw, dispose of, or permit the dumping or disposing of solid waste upon any public or private premises within the parish, except as provided in this article.
- (b) No person, firm or corporation, individually or collectively, shall kindle or set fire to any combustible material upon any public or private premises for the purpose of disposing of solid waste material except as permitted by applicable laws.**
- (c) Upon conviction of the provisions of this section, the person(s) shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and sentenced to serve four (4) hours of community service in a litter abatement work program as approved by the court. The judge may require an individual convicted of a violation of this section to remove litter from state highways, public rights-of-way, public playgrounds, public parks, or other appropriate locations for any prescribed period of time in lieu of the penalties prescribed in this section.