

City of Victoria
Recreational Fires

Recreational Fire **NO PERMIT REQUIRED FOR FIRES UNDER THREE (3) FEET IN DIAMETER.**

Recreational Fire **MUST BE TWENTY-FIVE (25) FEET OR MORE FROM ANY STRUCTURE.**

Recreational Fire **PERMITTED BETWEEN 10 A.M. AND 12:00 MIDNIGHT.**

A recreational fire means:

- a fire set with approved starter fuel
- contained within the border of a recreational fire site
- using dry, clean wood (NO BUILDING MATERIALS)
- producing little detectable smoke, odor or soot beyond the property line
- conducted with an adult tending the fire at all times
- for recreational ceremonies, food preparation or social purposes
- extinguished completely before quitting the occasion
- respecting the weather conditions, neighbors, burning bans
- and are quality so that nuisance, health or safety hazards will not be created

Fires are not to be allowed to smolder; a flame must be present

Starter fuels permitted are:

Dry paper • clean cardboard • liquid charcoal fire starter • or dry and clean kindling.

A recreational fire site means:

- an area of no more than (3) three feet in diameter or nine feet square (inner diameter measurement)
- completely surrounded by non-combustible and non-smoke or odor producing material, either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile or blocks of ferrous metal only
- located depressed below ground, on the ground, or on a raised bed.
- included are permanent outdoor wood burning fireplaces. In no event shall a recreational fire be closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any structure

Mobile cooking devices such as manufactured hibachis, charcoal grills, wood smokers, and propane or natural gas devices are NOT defined as recreational fires. Burning barrels are prohibited.

NO recreational fires are permitted during the winter months on frozen lakes or ponds.

The Victoria Fire Department has the right to extinguish a fire that does not meet fire ordinance regulations.