



# TOWN OF MONROE

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### EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2024 REGULATIONS REGARDING OPEN BURNING

To: Monroe Residents/Property Owner Applying for Open Burning Permits

The office of the Fire Marshal issues or denies burning permits only after the following steps are adhered to:

- 1.) Completion of the application form, printed by the Connecticut DEEP.
- 2.) Payment of a \$10.00 fee for such application/permit, (Cash or checks will be returned if application/permit denied) after burning official inspects burning site.
- 3.) Inspection of the burning site by the Open Burning Official: The inspection may reveal a need for certain conditions to be met prior to approval. All conditions are the responsibility of the named applicant.

Connecticut General Statutes, Section 22a-174 and the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies require the following general conditions:

- 1.) Only brush less than 3" in diameter may be burned!
- 2.) The permittee/applicant must reside on the property where burning is to take place.
- 3.) Burning shall cease when directed by the Fire Marshal, or Fire Chief or their designees, or upon order of any official of the CT. DEEP.
- 4.) Burning should be completed and attempts to reduce excessive smoke should be taken.
- 5.) All safety precautions shall be taken. The area around the burning site/pile must be cleaned to prevent fire spread, wetting down the surrounding area may be required, and a water hose must be on site for control purposes.
- 6.) The permit must immediately be available at the site during burning.
- 7.) Burning shall only be conducted between the hours of 10:00am — 5:00pm on a sunny or partly sunny day with a wind of 5 — 15 mph.

The Monroe Fire Marshal's Office sets as conditions of every permit:

- 1.) Prior to burning the resident must call **203-261-3622** for a final verbal approval for the day.
- 2.) An available water source must be on site.
- 3.) The permittee **MUST** be onsite at all times when burning is occurring.
- 4.) Upon a complaint of neighbors concerning excessive smoke and/or odor burning will be ordered to cease immediately and alternative disposal methods must be found.

**READ YOUR PERMIT:** Violation of conditions of Open Burning Permits or burning without a permit is subject to revocation of issued permits, forfeiture of the ability to obtain future permits and/or arrest for violation of Connecticut General Statute 229-174f.