What you need to know about

OPEN BURNING

WHAT'S ALLOWED?

Clean Wood for Recreational or Ceremonial Fires

Charcoal

WHAT'S PROHIBITED?

No Trash

No Chemicals or Plastics

No Tires

No Yard Waste

No Homes/Buildings

No Demo/ Construction Debris

No Paper

RESIDENTIAL BURNING

CLARK / FLOYD COUNTIES

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Residential Open Burning is Never Allowed in Clark and Floyd Counties

Indiana's air pollution control rules allow for certain types of private residential open burning; however, additional restrictions apply in Clark and Floyd counties. **Burning of trash, leaves, or yard waste is not allowed in these counties.** There are certain recreational burning exceptions to the open burning rule. IDEM always encourages alternatives to open burning such as composting, mulching, or recycling.

These rules **must** always be followed:

- No burning of trash or yard waste such as leaves, tree limbs, or brush for disposal purposes is allowed in Clark and Floyd counties.
- Recreational or ceremonial fires, such as fires for scouting activities or cooking, may only burn clean wood products, paper, or charcoal.
- Recreational or ceremonial burning cannot be used for disposal purposes.
- Recreational or ceremonial fires must be done during safe weather conditions, not during high winds. Fires must be attended until completely extinguished, and adequate fire suppression equipment present.
- Fires must be extinguished if they create a fire hazard, nuisance, pollution problem or threat to public health.
- Burning must comply with all other federal, state and local laws, rules or ordinances.
- Want to learn more? Visit IDEM's open burning site at **www.idem.IN.gov/openburning**.

To report illegal open burning, call the Indiana Department of Environmental Management at (800) 451-6027, option 3.

Recycle when possible

Properly dispose of trash, chemicals and/or debris

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