

MUNICIPALITY OF HURON EAST **BURNING REGULATIONS**

As per the Ontario Fire Code, Section 2.6.3.4. (1) Open air burning shall not be permitted unless **approved**, or unless such burning consists of a small, confined fire, supervised at all times, and used to cook food on a grill or a barbecue.

In the majority of cases approval to burn in rural areas of Huron East is granted subject to the following conditions:

- All controlled burns must be reported to the Fire Department (519-527-0160 or 1-888-868-7513) prior to the burn. Please **call during regular business hours** so we can inform our dispatch of the burn. Do not call 911. If you plan on burning during the weekend please call the office on the Friday before to receive authorization.
- Leaving a message on an answering machine does not give you permission to go ahead with a controlled burn.
- The fire must be attended at all times by a competent person with a means to extinguish if required.
- Please be considerate of your neighbours. No one likes the obnoxious odours of a fire in their home. If complaints are received, you will be asked to put out the fire.
- Do not burn after dark.
- If the wind conditions are wrong for a burn, plan for another day.
- Avoid burning in periods of extreme dryness when grass and brush can accelerate a fire rapidly out of control.
- Burning materials that are environmentally harmful such as tires, treated wood and petroleum based products such as asphalt shingles and plastics is NOT permitted.
- The Fire Department has the right to inspect any controlled burn site before authorization to burn is granted.

If the Fire Department is called and any one of the above conditions is not met, they have been instructed to extinguish the fire. First time offenders are given a warning letter, if the fire department responds a second time the owner will receive an invoice for those services as per Huron East By-Law #3-2007 – Fees for Protection to Persons and Property.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION