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Agricultural Fire Permit WFES-107A

Permit Number:

Location of burn: _____(Municipal address)

Expiry date: __

(expires at the end of the calendar year)

Owner's name: _____

Mailing address: ____

(if different than location of burn)

Phone Number: _____

On-site Phone Number: _____

Important notice to owner

This permit is issued on the condition that By-law Number 7776-21 and the fire permit requirements shall be adhered to and the Ontario fire code will not be contravened. Failure to comply with the above provisions will negate approval or cancel the fire permit. Whitby Fire and Emergency Services is not responsible for actions that the Ontario Smoke Pollution Board may enact.

Read all permit requirements numbered 1 - 14 before burning commences, especially:

- Notify Whitby Fire Communications Centre at 905.433.1234 before and after burning.
- Agricultural or Farm property must be **ten (10) acres** or greater.
- Keep fire to no larger than 1 m (3 ft.) x 1 m (3 ft.) x 1 m (3 ft.) and supervised at all times.
- Fire allowed during daylight hours only, do not start fire if windy conditions prevail.
- Agricultural items only allowed to be burned No waste, debris or construction materials.
- Items burned cannot be brought in from other locations.
- If an oversized fire, requirements 1 14, as amended by requirements 15 19 apply.

In the interest of public safety, Whitby Fire and Emergency Services reserves the right to issue a ban, or temporarily suspend all approvals for open air burning should conditions as determined by Whitby Fire and Emergency Services warrant such action.

Note: a permit will not be issued if a fire truck cannot access the burn site

I	(please print), have read and understood
all the fire permit requirements.	

Owner Signature

Date

Date

Check List:

Site drawing to be completed for all permits (to be attached to all copies)

Fee paid: \$90.40 (\$80.00 + \$10.40 HST). Cheques only made payable to the Town of Whitby

Copy to owner Entered in CRISYS Entered in AMANDA

Fire permit requirements

- 1. Only the burning of Agricultural or Farm waste is permitted (brush, vegetation), the burning of off-site landscaping debris, garbage or construction Material is not permitted.
- 2. Permits are required for each site and are valid until the end of the calendar year, from the date of issue.
- 3. A fire permit can only be issued to the owner of the property where the burning takes place, and the owner of the property is fully responsible for such fire.
- 4. Permits must be available for viewing at the burn site upon request.
- 5. A drawing of the burn site, with all distances and other requirements, shall be supplied by the owner and shall be attached to all permit copies.
- 6. The fire is to be attended to and supervised at all times.
- Whitby Fire and Emergency Services Communications Center shall be notified at 905.433.1234 immediately before burning starts and immediately after the burning has been completely extinguished.
- 8. All fires must be completely extinguished at the end of each working/burning day before sunset.
- 9. All fires must be kept to a maximum size of 1 m (3 ft.) x 1 m (3 ft.) x 1 m (3 ft.) in area and height unless approved.
- 10. Equipment capable of extinguishing the fire at any time conditions warrant is to be on site at all times burning is carried out. (Example: portable fire extinguishers, garden hose, portable pump and hose, etc.)
- 11. A person who conducts open air burning shall use reasonable care to ensure that the site of the fire is not accessible to children.
- 12. No fire in the open air shall be set or maintained when rain or fog is present.
- 13. No fire in the open air shall be maintained when the wind is in such a direction or intensity to cause any or all of the following:
 - 1.1. The possible spread of the fire beyond the approved burn site;
 - 1.2. A decrease in the visibility on any highway or roadway;
 - 1.3. Any odour to such an extent or degree so as to cause discomfort to the persons in the immediate area; and/or

- 1.4. The wind speed is above 25 km/h.
- 14. No open air burning will be set or maintained if it is:
 - 1.5. In contravention of the Ontario Fire Code, the Environmental Protection Act or any other statutory requirements of the Province of Ontario or the Government of Canada;
 - 1.6. At a distance less than 15 m (49 ft.) from any building, structure, hedge, fence, vehicular roadway of any kind or nature, or overhead wiring;
 - 1.7. At a distance of less than 15 m (49 ft.) from any property line;
 - 1.8. Unless there is space clear and free from combustible material around the perimeter of such fire of at least 9 m (30 ft.);
 - 1.9. After sunset in the afternoon on any day and before sunrise in the forenoon of any day; (daylight hours only)
 - 1.10. With the aid of flammable or combustible liquids or accelerants of any kind; and/or
 - 1.11. On any site, or in the vicinity of any site, where construction or related activities are carried on.

Additional requirements for oversized fires (fires larger than 1m x 1m x 1m) with the approval of the Chief Fire Official:

- 15. Requirement #9 is replaced with a maximum burn size of 3m x 3m x 2m in height.
- 16. In addition to Requirement #10, a backhoe, loader, or other similar machinery must be on site while the fire is burning, must be in operable condition, and must be staffed by a licensed operator. The equipment shall be used to extinguish the fire and prevent it from spreading.
- 17. Requirement #15, subsections 1.6, 1.7, and 1.8 are replaced with a minimum clear distance to combustible materials from the fire perimeter of 40 meters.
- 18. The permit holder must contact Communications daily prior to and upon completion of each burning period.
- 19. Any other requirements deemed necessary by the Chief Fire Official.

Site Plan Drawing

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How far from the main road is the burn location?

Can the burn location be seen from the main road?