

# City of Lancaster

## Division of Fire

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### Requirements for Cookouts, Campfires, and Ceremonial Fires within the city of Lancaster

1. Prior notification is required for every campfire, cookout, or ceremonial fire.
2. Prior to starting a fire call the dispatch center at 687-6680 ext. 2 and give them the address, start time, finish time, and purpose of fire. (This must be done every time you have a campfire, cookout, or ceremonial fire.)
3. The duration of the fire must not exceed 3 hours.
4. All campfires, cookout fires, or ceremonial fires must be extinguished by 11:00 p.m.
5. When fire is extinguished, call the dispatch center to advise them.
6. Cookouts, campfires, or ceremonial fires must not be within 25 feet of any structure.
7. Fires must not be larger than 2 feet high and 3 feet wide.
8. Fuel for fires must only be clean, dry, seasoned wood, charcoal, or natural gas. No trash, garbage, or yard waste may be burned.
9. There must be an extinguishing agent close to the fire ready for immediate use. This can be a garden hose, bucket of water, dirt, sand or extinguisher.
10. Fires must be constantly attended until the fire is completely extinguished.
11. Fires must not be objectionable or offensive to the surrounding residence. If the Fire or Police department receive a complaint, the fire shall be extinguished immediately.
12. Violations of Open Burning will be forwarded to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency for further action.
13. During times of high winds, draught, or other hazardous conditions all outdoor fire requests will be denied.