

## GUIDELINES OUTSIDE FIRES WITHIN WARD 2 LIMITS



The Municipal District of St. Stephen Bylaw S-5, Respecting Fire Prevention, allows for the use of fire pits. However these appliances must have a permit which will require an inspection.

The following requirements will apply:

- 1) The appliance must be three (3) metres (10 feet) from any combustible materials. This would include items such as structures, fences, combustible patios and decks, trees, and other vegetation such as un-mowed grass.
- 2) The appliance is for occasional use only.
- 3) The appliance must be constructed of non-combustible materials and covered with a suitable steel mesh which has 6mm (1/4") openings.
- 4) In the case of a rental property, a signed letter from the owner must be received stating they are aware of the use of the appliance and that they have no objection to its use.
- 5) The only materials to be burnt in these appliances shall be untreated wood products or charcoal briquettes. At no time shall garbage, treated wood products such as painted wood or pressure treated wood, grass or leaves be burned.
- 6) The homeowner shall not burn during any time that the Department of Natural Resources cancels outdoor burning due to extreme fire conditions. The homeowner shall call 1-866-458-8080 or got to the DNR Fire Watch Webpage to obtain burning conditions.
- 7) The permit issued by the Fire Department may be revoked without notice at any time for unsafe burning or violations of this policy. All complaints should be directed to the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer for resolution **during regular office hours**.
- 8) At all times the permit holder shall ensure that an appropriate extinguisher method is readily available.
- 9) The permit holder shall maintain a constant watch over the appliance while in operation, have on hand and readily available and extinguishing device and extinguish the fire completely when unattended.
- 10) Permits will be issued on a seasonal basis, to be renewed annually.

For more information, contact St. Stephen Fire Department, 199 Union St., St. Stephen, NB or call (506) 466-7779.