

**City of McHenry**  
**Bonfire Permit Application**

Organization/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Bonfire: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Bonfire: \_\_\_\_\_ Hours of Bonfire (**may not exceed 3 hours**): \_\_\_\_ pm- \_\_\_\_ pm

As attested by my signature below, I hereby understand that the following rules and regulations concerning bonfires **must be followed**:

1. Unless otherwise authorized by the City of McHenry, recreational fires shall occur on private property and at no time shall a person start or maintain any fire in any street, sidewalk, park or public right-of-way.
2. A recreational fire shall be attended at all times by an adult.
3. A garden hose connected to a water supply or other fire extinguishing equipment shall be readily available for use.
4. Only seasoned dry firewood shall be used for a recreational fire, provided, however, a small amount of paper and/or brush may be used to start the fire as kindling.
5. The fire shall be extinguished when unattended.
6. Any smoke from a recreational fire shall not flow into an adjacent or nearby building.
7. The bonfire shall conform to the following requirements:
  - a. Shall not exceed five feet by five feet in size;
  - b. Shall not burn longer than three hours;
  - c. Shall not be located closer than fifty feet to any structure;
  - d. Provision shall be made to assure prevention of spread to within fifty feet of any structure.
8. If at any time, the fire is found to be a nuisance to persons on neighboring properties, the fire shall be immediately extinguished.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* \* \* \* \* Office Use Only \* \* \* \* \*

Permit No. BF0\_\_-\_\_\_\_ issued this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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Copies provided to:

- McHenry Police Dept.
- Administration Dept.
- Community Development Dept.
- McHenry Fire Dept.