

Conditions of Open Burning

1. It shall be prima facie evidence that the person who owns, leases or otherwise controls property on which open burning occurs has caused or permitted the open burn.
2. The person conducting the burning shall stockpile the material to be burned, dry it to the extent possible before it is burned and assure that it is free of matter that will inhibit good combustion.
3. The burning of heavy, smoke-producing materials, including but not limited to, petroleum products, all oils, tires, composition shingles and tar paper, is prohibited, including their use to ignite or accelerate an otherwise legal burn.
4. No burning is permitted during the nighttime, which is defined as that period from two (2) hours before sunset until one (1) hour after sunrise. No material shall be added to a fire after two (2) hours before sunset.
5. No burning is permitted during periods when surface wind speed is less than five (5) miles per hour or more than fifteen (15) miles per hour.
6. No burning is permitted within one thousand (1,000) feet of an occupied dwelling, unless the occupant of that dwelling has been notified before the burn.
7. No burning is permitted which creates a traffic or other safety hazard. If a burn is to be conducted within one thousand (1,000) feet of a state or federal highway, the person conducting the burn shall notify authorities of the fact when reporting the burn. If a burn is to be conducted within one (1) mile of an airport, the person conducting the burn shall notify the airport authority before the burning begins.
8. No person shall leave any fire unattended until appropriate precautions have been taken to prevent the fire from spreading.
9. A person shall conduct an open burning operation under such additional conditions as the local fire authority may deem necessary to prevent emissions which: a. May be injurious to human health, animal or plant life or property; or b. May unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of life or property.

Questions or Concerns?

Franklin County Emergency Management
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Franklin County Online Burn Permit www.franklincoks.org/burn

Why is Franklin County changing from a Yearly to a Daily Burn Permit?

Historically, burn permits were purchased yearly and citizens were permitted to start a controlled burn any day that a burn ban had not been issued. Moving forward, Franklin County citizens will be able to obtain a daily burn permit on the county's website at no charge allowing Emergency Management and local Fire Departments the ability to see and track controlled burns across the county on a daily basis. The new permit will continue to follow the open burning regulations from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.

Where/How do I get a permit?

To obtain a daily Burn Permit, go to: www.franklincoks.org/burn and click the "Click Here for Online Burn Permit". The permit can be found on a computer or any smart device (cell phone, tablet, etc.)

No access to the online permit? 7-Day Burn Permits can be obtained at the Planning and Zoning office located in the Franklin County Annex.

How do I know if burning is allowed each day?

If there is a burn ban in place, the online daily burn permit will be unavailable. 7-day permit holders should call 785-229-3501 to check updated burn status each day.

Daily Burn Permits help your local fire department track controlled open burning in the district.

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Daily Burn Permit for the unincorporated areas of Franklin Co.

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1. Review the Burn Permit requirements
 2. Click the "Click Here for Online Burn Permit" link
 3. Fill in information and click "Submit"
- Remember Burning conditions can change throughout the day.**

**In the event of a Burn Ban, the online permit will not be available until the ban is lifted*

Call 785-229-3501 to check the current burn status