



## **DEFOREST WINDSOR FIRE & EMS DISTRICT**

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### **VILLAGE OF DEFOREST - FIRE PIT RULES**

This is a summary of DeForest Ordinance and is not intended to be all inclusive. Please review Chapter 5, specifically 5.23 OPEN BURNING, for the complete ordinance and regulations.

- A "fire pit" includes below ground pits, freestanding fireplaces, and portable devices intended to contain and control outdoor fires.
- All below ground fire pits shall be at least four (4) inches in depth, and shall be surrounded on the outside, aboveground, by a non-combustible material such as steel, brick, or masonry.
- The fire pit cannot exceed three (3) feet in diameter, nor may the fire pile exceed two (2) feet in height.
- Only natural firewood, or commercial logs may be burned.
- Burning of lumber, pallets, scrap wood, tree trimmings, leaves, yard waste, paper, cardboard, garbage, and similar items is prohibited.
- All fire pits must be located away from any structure or combustible material.
- Below ground fire pits and free-standing fireplaces must be located a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet away from any structure or combustible material.
- Portable fire pits must be located a minimum of fifteen (15) feet away from any structure or combustible material.
- Any fire must be constantly attended and supervised until the fire has been completely extinguished.
- A portable fire extinguisher or other approved extinguishing equipment such as a garden hose must be readily available.

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