

Knox County Code Administration & Inspection

RECREATIONAL FIRE PITS



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Per the 2018 International Fire Code ®, Contact the Knox County Code Administration, if further information is required.

Chapter 2 – Definitions

Recreational Fire

An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet (014mm) or less if diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar proposes.

Section 307.4.2 Recreational Fires

Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

Section 307.5 Attendance

Open burning, bonfires, recreational fires and use of outdoor fireplaces shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.