

Outdoor Burn Ordinances

Village of Lake Villa

Village of Lindenhurst

Unincorporated Lake County

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Chapter 3 OUTDOOR BURNING REGULATED

4-3-1: BURNING PROHIBITED:

4-3-2: WOOD BURNING REGULATED:

4-3-1: BURNING PROHIBITED:

The outdoor burning of leaves, refuse, garbage, yard waste, or other waste materials is prohibited. (Ord. 2008-07-02, 7-9-2008)

4-3-2: WOOD BURNING REGULATED:

Wood may be burned in a burning pit or other suitable device subject to the following:

- A. There shall be no burning on any public road or within ten feet (10') of any structure or within thirty feet (30') of any lake, wetland, or conservation area.
- B. Each fire must be attended to by a competent person until the fire is extinguished.
- C. An extinguishing source, such as a functioning garden hose, must be available at the site of the fire.
- D. The fire shall be extinguished immediately if requested by an employee of the village who has determined that a hazard exists due to the atmospheric conditions, excessive smoke, high flames, or otherwise.
- E. The person burning is responsible to ensure that the fire does not become a nuisance. (Ord. 2001-3-3, 3-28-2001)

Village of Lindenhurst Burning Ordinance

Burning 50.06

At the Regular Village Board Meeting of April 10, 2006, The Lindenhurst Village Board passed an ordinance amending the "Burning Refuse" Section 50.06 of Chapter 11 of the Municipal Code. This amendment prohibits leaf, landscape waste and brush burning and went into affect May 1, 2006.

* Wood may be burned any time; however, the burning of leaves, landscape waste, brush, garbage or any construction materials is prohibited.

* NOTE: The burning must be enclosed, and must be 20 feet from any structure, fence, wetland, tree or bush, but can not take place on any public road or right-of-way. The fire must be constantly attended by a competent person with an extinguishing source ready.

* Fires must be immediately extinguished if so requested by a Village employee due to hazards caused by atmospheric conditions, excessive smoke, or high flame.

* Burning Tips:

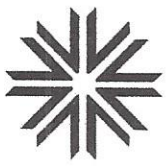
* Be courteous and respectful to your neighbors, especially those with breathing problems. Let them know before you burn.

* Do not burn on windy days, or days when the wind blows towards your neighbors.

* Do not burn wet wood. Smoke from such fires stays closer to the ground and longer in the breathing zone.

* Always attend, manage, and control your fire. Always have a hose or water source nearby.

* Do not burn in ditches, drainage ways or within 25 feet of a body of water.



The Lake County Health Department encourages residents to mulch or bag landscape wastes rather than burn them to protect public health and the environment. However, landscape wastes are allowed to be burned in most areas of unincorporated Lake County. The following guidelines are provided to minimize the impact on public health and the environment when burning occurs. Many municipalities have their own restrictions which are provided below.

Guidelines for burning landscape wastes

- Contact the local fire protection district for any applicable regulations and/or restrictions.
- Do not burn if the wind direction will impact neighbors, especially if they're sensitive to smoke.
- Maintain at least a 25' buffer between the burn pile and buildings.
- Do not burn in ditches, drainage ways or within 25 feet of a body of water.
- Burn only during daylight hours, smoke dissipates best between mid-morning and mid-afternoon.
- Attend and manage burn piles at all times.
- Burn dry landscape wastes to minimize smoldering piles and smoke.
- Keep the pile size small as it burns quicker and produces less smoke.
- Burn only on calm days to prevent wind from spreading smoke and dispersing embers.
- Extinguish the fire if smoke reduces visibility and creates a road hazard for drivers.
- Have a sufficient source of water, dirt or sand to extinguish a fire that gets out of control.

Only property-generated landscape waste may be burned. Landscape waste generally means all accumulations of grass or shrubbery cuttings, leaves, tree limbs, and other materials accumulated as the result of the care of lawns, shrubbery, vines and trees. Some communities prohibit burning grass or green materials. **Garbage and construction materials are not included.** No fires may be set in any public right-of-way (including ditches), public land or public places.

Many municipalities have special use permits or other regulations regarding recreational fires. Check with your municipality or local fire department for these regulations.