

Chapter 7

Fire Prevention and Fire Protection

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Part 1**Open Burning****§7-101. Prohibition.**

12/29 Hereafter it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to burn material that creates noxious odors and heavy smoke such as grass, shrubbery, household garbage, industrial wastes, or that creates a justified neighborhood nuisance. (Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §201)

§7-102. Permitted Materials.

Hereafter it shall be lawful for any person, firm or corporation to burn waste paper or wood outside of any building within the limits of the Borough between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. only; however, there shall be no burning between the hours of 7:00 p.m. Saturday until 7:00 a.m. Monday, and in the manner hereinafter provided. (Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §202)

§7-103. Containing Fire.

All waste paper or wood to be destroyed shall be burned only in a proper receptacle so constructed as to prevent the spreading of fire and sparks and so located as not to endanger any building or other structure, no closer than 15 feet to property line and/or structure. (Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §203)

§7-104. Leaf Burning.

It shall be lawful to burn leaves from October 1 through November 30 in accordance with days and hours set forth in §7-102 above. (Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §204)

§7-105. Penalties.

1. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Part shall be liable to a warning only for the first offense if the resident willingly puts fire out. If said person, firm or corporation is unwilling to put fire out, a fine will be issued of \$100 plus costs for the first offense where the Fire Department or police must be called; and, \$500 plus costs for the second offense and each succeeding offense where Fire Department or police must be called.

2. Fines to be for the use of the Borough of Connoquenessing and to be collected as like fines and penalties are now by law collectible. If any person, firm or corporation refuses to pay fines, issue will be turned over to magistrate. Offenses will be tracked on calendar-year basis. (Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §205)

§7-106. Exceptions/Special Permits.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, it shall not be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to utilize a charcoal or gas grill outside of the

12/29hours enumerated in §7-101 above for a family cookout or recreational wood fire. Pa. Code, Title 25, permits burning "in conjunction with the production of agricultural commodities in their unmanufactured state on the premises of the farm. "Unmanufactured state" means the condition of the product before processing on or off the farm.

(Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §206)

§7-107. Volunteer Fire Company.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Volunteer Fire Department may request permits to perform periodic training exercises.

(Ord. 65A, 3/1/2001, §207)