



Nashua Fire Rescue

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Burning Permit Checklist

- When is a permit required?**
 - Any open burning of solid fuel materials (except charcoal)
 - This includes open burning in barrels, chimenias, fire pits, etc.
 - Required at all times in City of Nashua ordinance
- Who can kindle fire?**
 - Owner of Property
 - Tenant with **one** of the following:
 - Owner present to sign with tenant (both signatures required)
 - Written Permission of property owner “IN HAND” – **letter must include**
 - Tenant name, permission granted, dates granted and that the owner of permits understands the assumption of responsibilities as indicated on the back of permits we issue
- How do I request a burning permit?**
 - Category I Permit
 - Applied for on-line at: <https://www.nashuanh.gov/>
 -) Click on tab at bottom of page for residential burn permits
 - Category II / III
 - Contact Fire Dispatch at **603-594-3636** (Site Visits scheduled 15:00 – 17:00)
 - Meet all the requirements listed below
 - There is no cost to receiving a burning permit in Nashua
- Categories of permitted fires**
 - Category I:
 - “A small controlled fire, such as a camp or cooking fire, no greater than **two feet** in diameter contained in a ring of fire resistive material or in a portable fireplace”.
 - Category II:
 - “A small controlled fire, such as a camp or cooking fire, no greater than **four feet** in diameter contained in a ring of fire resistive material or in a portable fireplace”.
 - Hose stretched and charged
 - Attended at ALL times

- Category III:
 - “Any other fire not a category I or II fire. A fire greater than five feet in diameter and no taller than five feet, or a fire not contained within a ring of fire resistive material”
 - No construction materials
 - Materials 5” or less in diameter
 - Hose stretched and charged
 - Attended at All Times
 - Seasonal
 - Issued for Category I camp or cooking fires **ONLY**
 - Issued by Company Officers or any Deputy Warden for Nashua
 - Owner occupied properties **ONLY** (except where owner has assumed responsibility in writing as indicated above)
 - All requirements above met
 - **Each time before burning you will need to use the "Burning Use Form" that was emailed to you when your permit was approved to notify Fire Dispatch.**
 - **Permit valid 5:00pm- midnight when burning is allowed.**
Expires December 31 of year issued.
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- Location of fire**
 - Category I - Minimum of 25’ from any structure
 - Category II - Minimum of 50’ from any structure
 - Category III - Minimum of 50’ from any structure

- Propane / Gas fire pits** must be installed and used in accordance with manufacturer specifications. If hard piped permanently installed, it must have a permit by the building department and inspected prior to use 589-3080.

- These do not need to meet the open burning criteria.