

# Schedule 'A'

## Open Air Burn By-law 2022-13

**Permit type:** Controlled Fire

**To obtain permit go to:** [www.meaford.burnpermit.com](http://www.meaford.burnpermit.com)

**Additional information and By-law 2022-13 go to:** [www.meaford.ca/burnpermit](http://www.meaford.ca/burnpermit)

**Toll Free Notification Number:** 1-855-693-0080

### Key Definitions:

“Approved Device” means a device/container that is approved in this bylaw or that is designed to contain an open-air-fire and is listed as an approved device by a recognized national or international testing/certification organization, or as approved by the Chief Fire Official as being suitable to contain an Open-Air Fire.

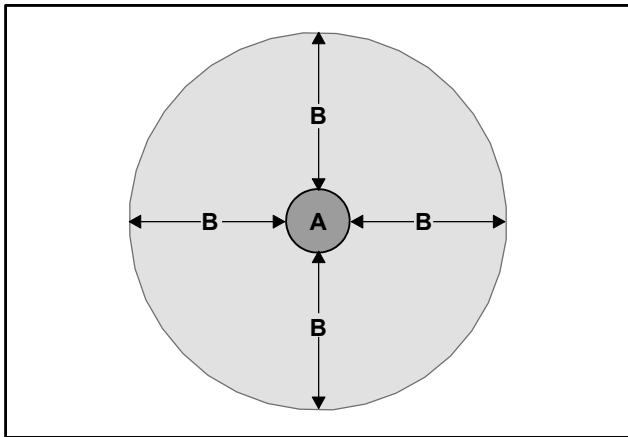
“Combustibles” are materials that can combust (burn) in air. Types of Combustibles include, but are not limited to, any building or structure, tree, hedge, long grass, fence, roadway, overhead wires, or other combustible materials.

“Material to burn” – clean and clear wood or by products of clean and clear wood.

“Controlled Fire” means an Open Air Fire that is greater than 3m (10ft) in length, by 3m (10ft) in width, by 3m (10ft) in height but not greater than 6m (20ft) in length, by 6m (20ft) in width, by 6m (20ft) in height that has been granted a Permit by the Chief Fire Official.

## Permit required - automatic approval after signing off all of the terms and conditions

### Section 7 "Controlled Fire"



\* Permit will be approved for properties greater than 1 acre of land

### Key notes - Controlled Fire \*

- An approved (with review and/or inspection) Open Air Fire that has been granted a Permit by the Chief Fire Official.
- The pile of materials cannot exceed 6m (20ft) in length, by 6m (20ft) in width, by 6m (20ft) in height.
- Property of the Controlled Fire to be zoned as Agricultural (A), Special Agricultural (SA) or Rural (R) by the Municipality Zoning By-law in force and effect at the time of permit application, and is in use for Farming.
- Combustibles are not permitted within 15m (50ft) from the edge of the burn in all directions.
- Only one burning fire permitted at one time per property.
- A Controlled Fire shall not be set, maintained or operated earlier than sunrise or later than two hours prior to sunset.
- Permit holder/agent to be on site within 15m(50ft) with adequate equipment and/or water to extinguish the fire promptly while the fire is burning.

- Ⓐ Fire - not greater than 6m (20ft) in length, by 6m (20ft) in width, by 6m (20ft) in height
- Ⓑ Setback area - Combustibles are not permitted within 15m (50ft) surrounding the edge of the approved burn in all directions

### Key General Provisions of By-law 2022-13

**General Provisions** are applicable to all types of Open Air Burns within the Municipality.

Any owner or person that sets, maintains or operates any Open Air Burn shall ensure all of the following conditions are met:

- The fire will be in compliance to the required setbacks as to the type and size and it will not be conducted in the front yard;
- No fire is allowed to burn on a balcony or deck that is made up of combustible materials;
- All materials to be burned are to be of clean clear wood or by products of clean clear wood;
- Household Waste is not permitted to be burned. Household Waste is defined as “combustible material such as perishable foods, plastics, paints, oils, solvents, rubber, insulation, batteries, acids, polystyrenes (Styrofoam), pressure treated or painted lumber, shingles, tires, upholstered furniture, synthetic fabrics, diapers and hazardous waste, as defined in the Environmental Protection Act, and all other similar and like materials”;
- Yard Waste is not permitted to be burned. Yard waste is defined as “vegetation such as leaves, grass clippings that can be composted”;
- Ground Cover is not to be burned unless approved by the Chief Fire Official or their designate. Ground Cover is defined as “vegetation on the ground and includes, but is not limited to, leaves, grasses, weeds, tree needles, or wood chips”;
- No fire is to be a nuisance to neighbouring properties;
- No fire is permitted during a burn ban;
- No fire is allowed to burn, if winds are greater than 20km/hour;
- No fire is allowed to burn when a smog alert has been issued;
- All permits expire annually on December 31st;
- In obtaining a permit, I agree that an inspection may be conducted on the burn site to ensure it meets the applicable provisions;
- I understand and acknowledge having read and understood the terms and conditions specified in the applicable sections of By-law 2022-13 and assume all responsibility and liability in connection with the type of open air burning.