





## City of Osseo Recreational Fires Rules and Regulations

City Code Section 91.03 defines Recreational Fires as:

“The burning of materials other than rubbish where clean fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, with a total fuel area of three (3) feet or less in diameter, completely surrounded by non-combustible and non-smoke or -odor producing material, either of natural rock, cement, brick, tile, or block, in a pit one (1) foot in the ground or more, on the ground, or on a raised bed, including permanent outdoor wood-burning fireplaces. Recreational fires shall be located a minimum of 25 feet from buildings, combustible materials, power lines, and property lines. Recreational fires may be used for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, or similar purposes. Mobile cooking devices such as manufactured hibachis, charcoal grills, wood smokers, and propane or natural gas grills are not defined as recreational fires.”

Regulations for recreational fires as set forth by the Osseo Fire Department shall be as follows:

1. Pit shall be a maximum of three (3) feet in diameter.
2. Pit shall be a minimum of one (1) foot deep.
3. Pit shall be a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from buildings, combustible materials, power lines, and property lines.
4. No flammable liquids are allowed to start or maintain fire.
5. Burn only charcoal or clean wood (no stained, painted, varnished, or chemically treated wood). Leaves, grass, or other items that will produce excessive or noxious smoke shall NOT be burned.
6. Flames shall be a maximum of three (3) feet above ground level.
7. Person must be able to withstand heat within five (5) feet of pit.
8. An adult MUST be present to supervise the fire until such fire has been extinguished.
9. Water source for extinguishments must be available near pit.
10. Before beginning any recreational burn, please notify the Police Department at (763) 424-5444 to inform them of a recreational burn.
11. Each permit holder shall notify the City not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to commencement of each recreational fire.

Any burn may be halted at a police officer's discretion for violation of any regulation. Police may issue a citation, which could lead to a fine and a mandatory court appearance.