



SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR RECREATIONAL or CEREMONIAL FIRES

Complete, comply with this checklist, and submit to the Fire Protection Coordinator,

Environmental Health & Safety, 175 University Service Center at least 5 days before the proposed event.

The only Approved location for a recreational fire is the "Morton Field." Any other sites or exceptions on university property must be approved by the Facilities Grounds Department. This form does not include any fees, charges or fines associated with hosting a recreational or ceremonial fire. Athens Fire Department may refuse permission or put out any fire it deems dangerous or refuse permission depending on weather conditions.

____ Fire location must be approved by the Facilities Management Grounds Services. (Facilities Grounds Services may provide a fire container)(FM front desk 593-2911). Signed FM Grounds (Susan Calhoun) _____

____ O.U. EHS Fire Protection (EHS 593-1666) Signed EHS Fire Protection _____

- Recreational or ceremonial fire maximum fuel area: 3' diameter, maximum 2' in height, requires this permit from EHS.
- The Athens Fire Department will not issue permits for recreational fires and fires that exceed recreational fire limits will be extinguished. A report will be completed; repeat offenses to the same fire may result in a citation being issued through the prosecutor's office.

____ A water hose will be available, if possible. If a hose is not available, one of the following must be provided: (1) A 4A or larger dry chemical extinguisher, (2) Two 2A rated water extinguishers, (Fire extinguishers may be checked out from the Fire Shop at Facilities 593-2911) or (3) Other APPROVED fire extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck available for immediate utilization on site.

____ Unless the fire is prepared immediately before lighting, it will be guarded to prevent premature ignition by others at all times.

____ The sponsoring organization will be responsible for the lighting, monitoring, extinguishing and clean up of the fire site.

____ Flammable liquids **shall not** be used to ignite the fire (such as gasoline, etc.).

____ The total fuel area 3 ft. diameter or less and 2 ft. or less in height for recreational or ceremonial fire, minimum 25' from any structure or combustible material. Combustible materials shall be removed prior to ignition.

____ The fire **shall not** exceed 3 hours burning time. The person responsible for the fire shall be responsible for notifying the Athens Fire Department: 592-3301 prior to igniting the fire.

____ Fire materials must not contain treated* wood, plastics, rubber, hazardous, or smoke producing materials more toxic than that of clean seasoned firewood.

**Wood that has been treated with any preservatives, such as but not limited to, creosote, pentachlorophenol, etc.

Sponsoring Organization: _____ contact number #: _____

Responsible Person's Signature: _____ Print name: _____

Date of Proposed Fire: _____ Time: _____

Location of Proposed Fire (Be as specific as possible): _____

OHIO EPA website: http://www.epa.state.oh.us/dapc/regs/3745-19/3745_19.html

Phone: 740-385-8501 Fax: 740-385-6490