



Codes Pertaining to Fire Pits in the Village of Shorewood

Shorewood Code

§ 290-15 Burning materials.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to burn or cause to be burned any combustible materials in any structure or building, in a manner other than approved by this chapter or state law, or to burn such combustible materials in any street, alley or yard in the Village of Shorewood within 100 feet of any building, except those uses permitted in NFPA 1 (cooking only).

NFPA 1

Sections:

- 3.3.69 Cooking Fire. The noncommercial, residential burning of materials not exceeding 3 feet in diameter and 2 feet in height, other than rubbish in which the fuel burned is contained in an outdoor fireplace, a barbecue grill, or a barbecue pit for the purpose of preparing food.
- 10.11.4.3 Recreational fires shall not be located within 25ft of a structure or combustible material unless contained in an approved manner.
- 10.11.5 Open recreational, and cooking fires shall be constantly attended by a competent person until such fire is extinguished.
- 10.11.5.2 This person shall have a garden hose connected to a water supply or other fire-extinguishing equipment available for use.
- 10.11.6 For other than one- and two-family dwellings, no hibachi, gas fired grill, charcoal grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose, shall be used or kindled on any balcony or under any overhanging portion or within 10 feet of any structure. Listed electric ranges, grills, or similar electrical apparatus shall be permitted.
- 10.11.7.2 Every commercial incinerator and commercial barbecue fireplace shall be equipped and maintained with a spark arrestor and shall be maintained in good condition, working order, and repair at all times.
- 10.11.7.3 Openings in incinerators, outdoor fireplaces, permanent barbecues, and grills shall be provided with an approved spark arrestor, screen, or door.

Shorewood Policy: Grill and Fire Pit Requirements

Grills may be used on balconies of a one-and two-family dwelling, but it is best to keep grills 10 feet away from any building/structure.

Per 10.11.4.3 the Village determined an approved manner includes having fire pits approximately 15 feet from a structure or combustible materials; all fire pits shall have an approved spark arrestor, screen or door.

Materials allowed to be burned are charcoal, dry wood, LP and natural gas for grills and manufactured fire pits / fire places.

Burning of leaves, vegetation, refuse, "green" wood, flammable liquids or other combustible material is strictly prohibited.

Always follow manufactures instructions regarding separation distances, never leave a fire unattended and always ensure that a fire is extinguished completely before calling it a night.