Part 1

Open Burning

§7-101. Title.

This Part shall be known and may be cited as the "Williams Township Burning Ordinance."

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §1)

§7-102. Out-of-Door Fires.

Out-of-door fires shall be permitted upon private property in Williams Township under the following regulations which must be strictly adhered to.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §2)

§7-103. Open and Container Burning.

Open and container burning shall be permitted Monday through Saturday between the hours of sunrise and 6 p.m., standard time, and 7 p.m., daylight saving time. All fires shall be completely extinguished within ½ hour of the designated cut off time.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §3)

§7-104. Open Burning.

Shall be limited to the burning of general yard refuse such as tree limbs and leaves. ($Ord.~43, 12/7/1991, \S4$)

§7-105. Container Burning.

- 1. Burning in approved receptacles such as burning barrels or outdoor fireplaces must be limited to the burning of combustible materials only.
- 2. There shall be no burning of raw garbage such as foodstuffs, tires or rubber based products, animals or animal wastes, mattresses, and stuffed furniture of any sort. (Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §5)

§7-106. Burning Receptacles.

All burning receptacles shall be covered with a screen no larger than 1 inch mesh. (Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §6)

§7-107. Distance to Fire.

All fires shall be located no less than 50 feet from the nearest inhabited neighboring dwelling.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §7)

§7-108. Sunday Exceptions.

Burning on a Sunday is permitted providing the fire is limited to a fireplace or

outdoor grill and being used for the purpose of cooking food for an outdoor gathering. (Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §8; as amended by Ord. 01-2010, 10/14/2010)

§7-109. Safeguarding Fires.

All fires shall be properly safeguarded so as not to cause damage or a nuisance to any person or property, or shall any person burn any materials that when burned, create toxic air emissions or thick smoke.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §9)

§7-110. Right to Ban Fires.

- 1. The Board of Supervisors may prohibit and ban any and all burning when atmospheric conditions or location circumstances make such fires hazardous, as determined by the Board.
- 2. Any burning ban put into effect by the State or County takes precedence over the regulations of this Part.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §10)

§7-111. Penalties.

Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, on the first offense the person will be given a warning. A second offense will, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, will result in a fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 43, 12/7/1991, §11; as amended by Ord. 01-2010, 10/14/2010)